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## Moscow said hardening stand on stranded sub

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 4 (Agencies) — An officer in charge of the investigation into the activities of a Soviet submarine held in Swedish waters for more than a week went aboard the vessel twice Wednesday, a defense staff spokesman said.

The submarine captain, Lt. Cmdr. Fyotr Gushin, had agreed to the visits and further visits could be necessary later Wednesday, the spokesman added. The first visit had lasted about one hour, the second several minutes, he said. The increased activity came as diplomatic sources in Stockholm said there were signs of a hardening in Moscow's attitude.

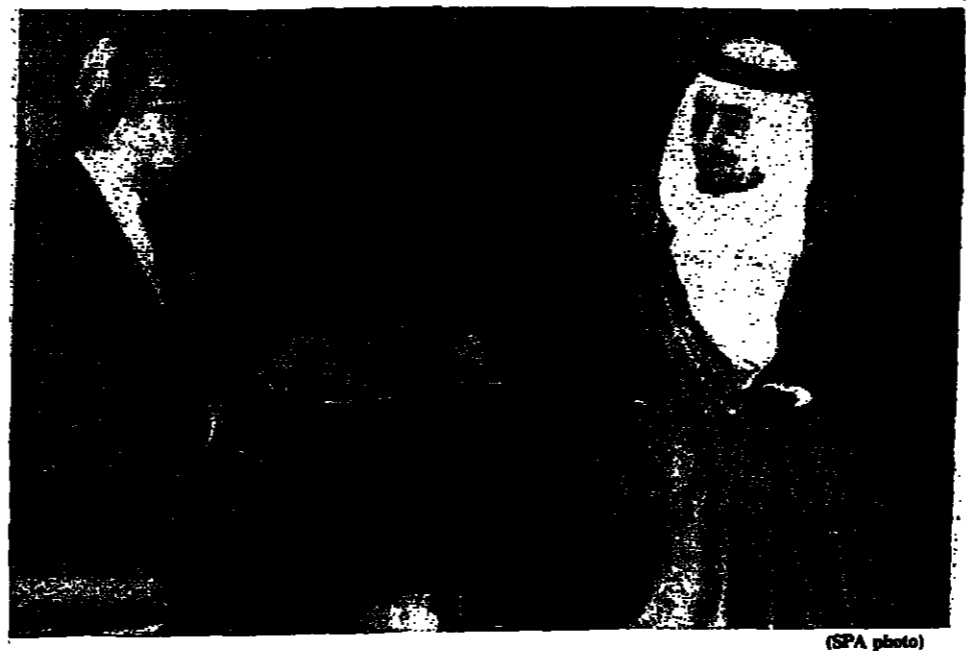
The official Soviet Tass news agency acknowledged the incident publicly for the first time, saying *Submarine 137* had lost its way due to malfunction of navigational instruments.

The defense staff spokesman in Karlskrona said that a Soviet force in international waters off Sweden's territorial limits had been strengthened early Wednesday. The submarine, suspected of spying in a restricted military zone, is being held near Karlskrona Baltic naval base.

The Swedish officer, Cmdr. Karl Andersson, is leading a team of navy experts conducting an on-the-spot investigation of the submarine, which ran aground nine days ago.

In Moscow, Ambassador Garl De Geer said Deputy Foreign Minister Igor Zemskov had called him in for consultations Tuesday and on Monday. Diplomatic sources in Stockholm interpreted the talks as signs of a hardening in the Soviet attitude to the incident. "We think the Kremlin is getting tougher," one of the sources said.

The defense staff spokesman in Karlskrona said the Soviet naval force, near the area since last Wednesday, had been joined earlier Wednesday by two Corvettes



AP photo  
AUDIENCE: King Khaled received Wednesday in audience visiting Britain's Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington, in his capacity as chairman of the European Economic Community to discuss the Saudi Arabian peace plan for the Middle East.

## Carrington meets king, discusses Mideast plan

By Tod Robberson  
Washington Bureau

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## Columbia launching put off due to snags

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida, Nov. 4 (R) — The second journey into space by the *Columbia* space shuttle was postponed for at least two days Wednesday after a problem in the computer countdown procedure. The countdown clock stopped just 31 seconds before the liftoff.

The new launch date for the \$10 billion spacecraft was set tentatively for Friday at 0730 (1230 GMT).

The launch was definitely postponed on 0930 (1430 GMT), a program spokesman said when on-board electrical power generating units overheated because lubricating oil pressure was too high. The launch team had encountered several other problems which temporarily delayed the scheduled launch but they were resolved and work was begun to resume the countdown.

The power unit problem was then discovered and program experts could not determine its cause in time to allow a launch Wednesday. The launch was put off for two days because that amount of time is required for re-fueling operations.

Space officials explained that during the latter stages of the countdown the main computer automatically ordered a halt when it spotted a pressure problem. The engineers corrected the fault, but apparently could not convince the main computer of this and it failed to hand over the launch program to the on-board computer at the appropriate moment.

The first mission of *Columbia*, about three years behind its original schedule because of development difficulties, was delayed two days last April by a computer timing problem.

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## Reagan suffers poll rebuff

NEW YORK, Nov. 4 (R) — The result of the election for governor of New Jersey was still in doubt Wednesday after full results gave the Republican candidate a razor-thin victory but his Democratic opponent demanded a recount. But President Reagan's Republican Party lost the governorship of Virginia for the first time in 16 years, and both votes were seen as an electoral rebuff for the president.

They were the first tests of voter reaction to Reagan's economic recovery program, which mixes tax cuts with severe reductions in government spending.

With all the votes counted in New Jersey, Republican Thomas Kean appeared to have held off Democratic Congressman James Florio by 2,541 votes of the 2.6 million cast. But Florio refused to concede defeat, calling instead for a recount.

Florio had claimed that the election was really a vote on whether the public approved of "Reaganomics." Reagan personally campaigned in the two states, as did other top Republicans, and the Republican National Committee spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on the contests.



SWEDES GUARD SUB: Swedish coast guard soldiers (background) watch the grounded Soviet submarine Tuesday. Sweden is seeking an explanation from the sub's captain regarding its straying into Swedish waters.

## Haig foresees arms talks in spring

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4 (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig told the Senate Wednesday that new U.S.-Soviet Strategic Arms Limitation Talks "could begin as early as next spring."

Haig told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that Congress' support of President Ronald Reagan's decision to deploy MX missiles and build B-1 bombers "will make or break our attempt to negotiate a reasonable arms control agreement."

Haig said the new Strategic Arms Limitation Talks can begin next spring only if "the overall state of U.S.-Soviet relations" are good enough at that time to permit them.

Haig testified at hearings on President Reagan's \$180 billion six-year plan to develop and deploy MX missiles, B-1 bombers and other strategic weapons systems.

Haig said Congress' support of the plan will be crucial because, he said, it provides the U.S. strength that for the first time should make the Soviets willing to negotiate reduction of their nuclear strike force.

## India, Portugal discuss cooperation

NEW DELHI, Nov. 4 (AP) — India and Portugal began official talks Wednesday to improve relations that were strained by India's 1961 liberation of the small Portuguese colony of Goa.

Portuguese Foreign Minister Andre Goncalves Pereira — the highest ranking official of his country to tour India since the liberation of Goa — held discussions with Indian Foreign Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao.

The two ministers agreed to help promote closer cooperation and expand economic and trade relations between the two countries, officials reported.

Goncalves Pereira arrived in the Indian capital on Tuesday after a four-day tour of Goa, on the southwestern Indian coast. He is scheduled to meet Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi Thursday and deliver her an invitation from his prime minister, Francisco Pinto Balsemão, to visit Portugal.

Meanwhile, the Indo-Portuguese joint commission met Wednesday to expand cooperation in the fields of education, science and technology, culture and mass media and to promote joint ventures between the two countries.

## U.K. warns of cuts in pay rise

LONDON, Nov. 4 (R) — Britain's right-wing Conservative government, already facing labor strife over low wage settlements, warned Wednesday that the level of pay rises will have to be reduced still further.

The government, in the traditional sovereign's speech at the state opening of parliament, reaffirmed its commitment to strict monetary and fiscal policies in order to reduce inflation, now at an annual rate of 11.4 percent.

Police marksmen watched the colorful royal procession to parliament from rooftops, guarding Queen Elizabeth primarily against Irish guerrillas who have recently planted bombs in London. She delivered the speech to parliamentarians from the throne in the upper House of Lords at the Palace of Westminster.

"My government attaches the utmost importance to maintaining progress in reducing inflation by the pursuit of firm monetary and fiscal policies, to further improving the efficiency of the economy, and to strengthening industry, so as to restore competitiveness abroad and prosperity at home," she said. "They (government leaders) hope to see this assisted by further reductions in the level of wage settlements."

The speech, which sets out the government's legislative program for the new session of parliament, came as thousands of workers at British Leyland (BL), the state-owned car manufacturer, returned to their jobs after a three-day strike failed to improve the company's 3.8 percent pay offer.

The government had previously said that public sector employees would get an average of four percent in the current round of wage bargaining. Government sources said that over the past year there had been a steep reduction in the level of wage settlements which, taken with rising productivity, meant that labor costs in manufacturing did not increase in the first half of the year.

Further progress depended on a realistic level of wage settlements in the coming year, the sources said.

The queen, adorned with the imperial crown and flowing ceremonial robes, said plans for public expenditure in the coming year would reflect the importance of restricting public sector claims on the nation's resources.

Critics of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's economic policies have called for the injection of an extra five billion sterling (\$9 billion) of public funds into the economy to help create jobs for Britain's three million unemployed.

Queen Elizabeth said the government shared the nation's concern at the growth of unemployment and would continue to direct help to those groups and individuals most hardpressed by the recession. She did not spell out any specific measures.

But the speech did mention that a bill on labor relations would be introduced. The speech gave no details but government sources said measures to curb the powers of trade unions would be brought before parliament early next year.

Among the steps the government was contemplating were restrictions on the closed shop, which requires employers to hire only union labor.

## Thief gobbles diamond, caught in terrible pain

PHOENIX, Arizona, Nov. 4 (AFP) — Doctors at a hospital here who treated a man complaining that he was in terrible pain after swallowing "something" found the strangest cause ever for a sore throat — a 2.95-carat diamond with its \$ 6,500 price tag still attached to it.

When the police were called in, the patient said he had won the diamond gambling. But on investigation they discovered the man was wanted for robbing a jewelry store. From hospital he was taken straight to prison.

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# Claussen commends Kingdom's aid

By Scott Pendleton

RIYADH, Nov. 4 — President of the World Bank Tom Claussen said Wednesday that the Saudi Fund for Development is the largest single source of co-financing for the bank, offering more than \$1 billion.

Saudi Arabia has given 3 percent of its Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in aid to the Third World, compared to a U.N. target of 0.7 percent and to American aid of 0.35 percent of GDP.

Many countries, including the United States, are decreasing their foreign aid. The World Bank's International Development Association (IDA) has suffered. IDA makes soft loans of 94 percent of its funds to the

poorest countries compared to the 35 percent of bilateral aid that goes to them.

The U.S. Congress has authorized \$3.24 billion for IDA, but only appropriated a \$520 million first payment. A second expected payment of \$850 million is now late, Claussen said.

Claussen, who ended three days of talks with senior Saudi officials in Riyadh Wednesday, said that "it's budget constraint time around the world."

In this kind of lending climate, Claussen has had to turn to Arab countries for increasing support. He said that his talks with Finance Minister Muhammad Aba Al-Khail and other officials, have not resulted in any

specific financial commitments, though both co-financing and grants to IDA have been discussed.

Claussen said his trip was "partly to update the Saudi Arabian officials, and get their views on how the World Bank should address the issues facing it." Talks also ranged across a number of topics including technical assistance in agriculture, education industry, transportation and petrochemicals.

Claussen noted that "Saudi Arabia is not a Third World country. We don't make loans to Saudi Arabia." The Kingdom is still developing though it has too large an income to need World Bank loans. So the World Bank provides technical assistance to the Kingdom. An office of technical experts, the only one of its kind in the world, is maintained in Saudi Arabia by the World Bank.

Claussen remarked that "there is no way you can have economic development in Third World countries that are reliant on energy imports without a focus on energy in those countries." The proposal of creating a World Bank energy affiliate was one scheme for focusing on energy, Claussen said, but there are political obstacles.

"The whole idea is to get additive monies. The U.S. doesn't think that's the best way to go." Claussen worked for Bank of America for 31 years, the last 11 and a half as its CEO. He became president of the World Bank five months ago.

## Prince Miteb lets SR32.4m Baha contract

BAHA, Nov. 4 (SPA) — A SR32,437,900 contract was awarded to a specialized international firm by Prince Miteb, the minister of public works and housing and acting minister of municipal and rural affairs, to draw up a plan for the urban development of Baha for the coming 15 years.

The study, to be carried out over a period of 30 months, calls for the preparation of theoretical and executive master plans for Baha and surrounding towns and villages. It also will design three model villages for agriculture, tourism and the settling of the nomad tribes.

Meanwhile, a national contracting firm began work Tuesday on the construction of a telephone complex described by officials as the biggest government compound in the area. The complex will cover 12,000-square meters area, and within eight months will comprise an administrative building, a warehouse and an automatic car washing unit.

Meanwhile, a spokesman for Saudi Telephone said there are now 4,200 telephone lines in the area and that 12 villages around Baha will be connected to the network within the coming three months.

## Stores, purchases seminar planned

# KAU to stage scientific show

JEDDAH, Nov. 4 (SPA) — King Abdul Aziz University's College of Sciences will organize an exhibition for a variety of advanced scientific research and technological equipment next week, officials reported. The college is organizing the display in collaboration with a number of specialized international companies.

In other educational news, a three-day seminar on stores and purchases, organized by King Faisal University of Dammam, will be opened by Eastern Province Governor Prince Abdul Mohsen bin Jilwi Dec. 2.

KFU Rector Dr. Muhammad Said Al-Qahtani said Wednesday that directors of stores and purchasing departments from the Kingdom's universities as well as those of most Arab countries will attend the seminar. The symposium is sponsored by the Federation of Arab Universities.

Meanwhile, the number of schools in the northern town of Arar reached 65 this year, in line with the general trend adopted by the government in its current development plan to boost the education sector. According to Muhammad Abdul Karim Al-Rumayan, Arar education director, the major share of the schools are primary, which number 48, and nine of them are intermediates, three secondaries, two teachers' training institutes and three Quran memorization schools.

About 10,400 students are enrolled in the various educational levels in the area. Of these, 7,500 are primary school students, 1,800 intermediate, 780 secondary. The teachers' institutes cater for 120 trainees while the Quran memorization schools are enrolled by 200 students.

With priority given to the development of the educational and human resources sectors in the Kingdom's current development plan, the number of schools of all levels is growing overwhelmingly. The Kingdom envisions to achieve its educational targets, rather by following a broader line which gives special attention to vocational training and public awareness programs in health, agriculture and even the armed forces sectors by organizing various seminars and courses. About 16 percent, SR122.5 billion, of the total development outlay have been allocated to education in the Third Five-Year Plan.

## Solar center slated

ABU DHABI, Nov. 4 (WAM) — Lt. Gen. Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed, Abu Dhabi crown prince and deputy supreme commander of the UAE armed forces, Wednesday examined a comprehensive study on a proposed project to set up a solar energy center in the UAE within the framework of the joint agreement with France.

## BRIEFS

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JEDDAH (SPA) — The Turkish government has announced that Saudi Arabian nationals have ownership rights in Turkey

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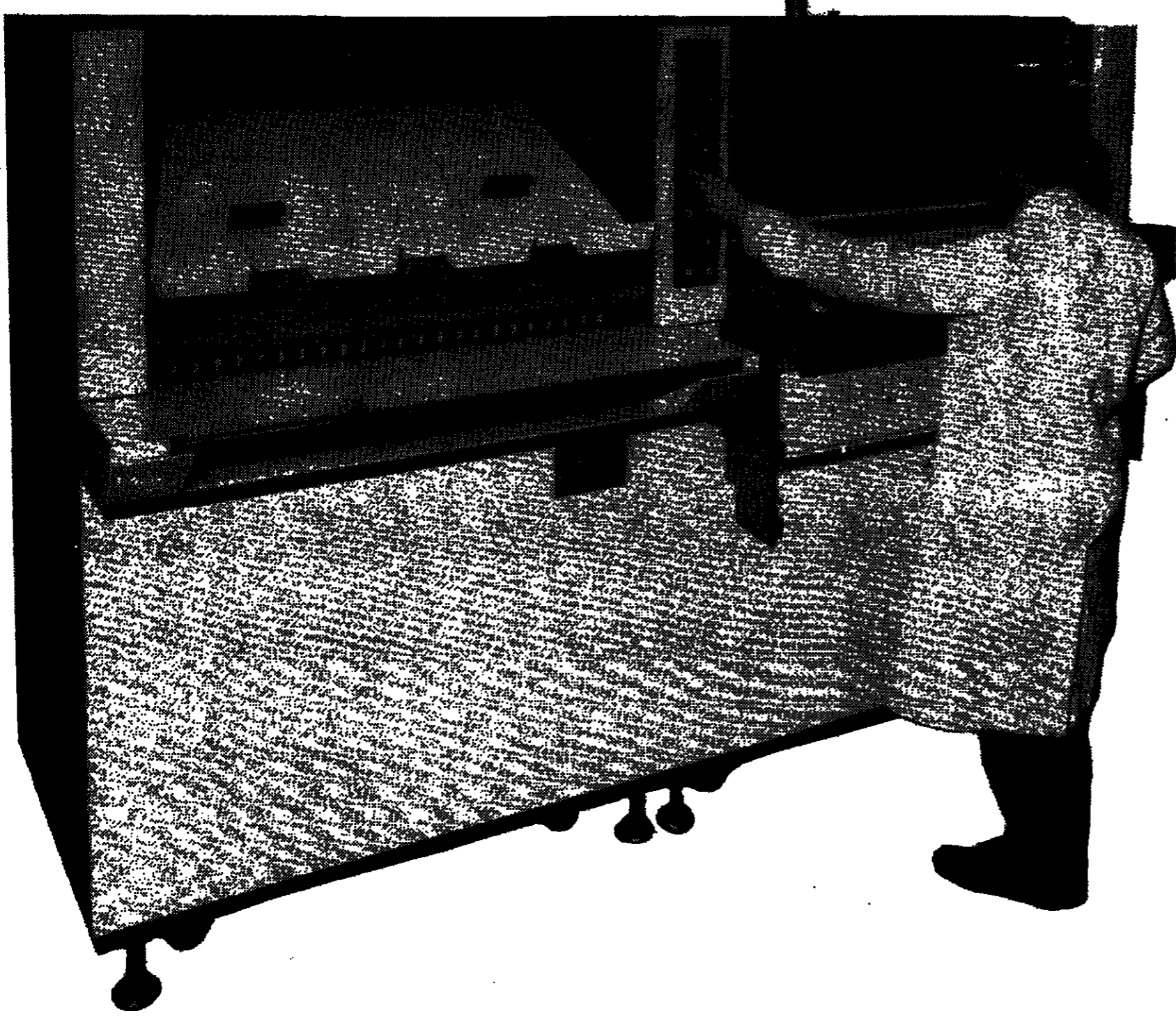
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# AWACS deserve all efforts exerted--Sultan

JEDDAH, Nov. 4 — Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan has reiterated that the Airborne Warning and Control Systems (AWACS) aircraft are important enough to deserve diplomatic efforts and spending on them by Saudi Arabia.

In an interview published by *Al-Jazirah* Wednesday, Prince Sultan highlighted the significance of the aircraft from the security aspect. He said the aircraft can watch all kinds of eavesdropping from the traditional radar system and is capable of distinguishing an enemy from a friend. Its observation activity is not confined to low altitude but also cover the high altitude hostile planes.

The aircraft symbolizes a world of sophisticated technology which is possessed only by the U.S. and the NATO nations. With all its delicate instruments, the AWACS aircraft deserves all the efforts that have been exerted for its delivery, the prince said, adding that "we need them and we know that they are very useful for the defense of the Kingdom and protection and the stability of its territory".

Asked whether the diplomatic battle in this context will affect the future of relations between America and Arab states, the minister said that the Kingdom had no alternatives in case the deal failed, "for we were convinced that the present American leadership was undergoing a test with the pressuring groups

in its society and the country's own national interests".

He considered the U.S. Congressional approval as the "most significant and wise decision" heralding a new era for the Arabs, who should benefit from it. He said the present American administration has proved that its role characterizes its national interests which have a direct link with Arabs.

Prince Sultan said that the U.S. administration, and not Saudi Arabia, has won the battle, "because what we aim at is a relation on equal terms. We have no other objectives inside the American society". He added that the Kingdom knew that, in case the deal did not materialize, the American political administration would encounter the realities of the Zionist pressure, "which we had wanted it to know".

The defense minister denied that the volume of the Kingdom's arms purchases would touch the \$50 billion mark. Describing such reports as "exaggeration", he said that the Kingdom attaches more importance to its development plans. In testimony to this, he instanced the previous five-year development plan and which has exceeded its allocated budget. As regards the Saudi Arabian

army's capability of handling the sophisticated weapons, Prince Sultan said "we do not import the arms before training".

In regard to the defense coordination among the states of the Gulf Cooperation Council, the minister said that in the meeting of the army chiefs of staff, which also was attended by the GCC secretary general, "we reached an accord which would create an advanced defensive group." "We do not believe in a compact leadership as it has proved a failure. We do, however, believe in coordination among the defenses of the GCC states, and this step will be stronger than the unified command," the prince said. The subject of the type of weapons and their resources had been discussed and the outcome of the meeting will be placed before the next Gulf summit conference.

Prince Sultan denied there was any dialogue between the Kingdom and Communist China. "We do not oppose normal relations but we are concerned with the protection of this holy land from the Communist or any anti-Islamic ideology," he said. He also reiterated that there was no diplomatic contact with China or the Soviet Union. "The Kingdom does not deny their existence, and

there are commercial dealings with them at the level of Kingdom's businessmen," he added.

In a reference to the visit of the Ruler of Kuwait to the Eastern bloc countries, Prince Sultan said "we are proud of the confidence which Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad has received (from them). This confidence indicates the success of Kuwait's policy, which is success for us too. But no contact was held with the Kingdom on this particular subject. We have our own nature that conforms to the concept of our own national security, but what the future will carry is not known to anyone but God".

On the nature of the Kingdom's relations with North Yemen, Prince Sultan said "our relations are good at economic and social levels, and we do not stop any state from choosing to cooperate with anyone. Even if we showed reservation on a detente with the Soviet Union, the national interests always

necessitate the study of the nature of cooperation with any international party. We are in a region whose ideology does not only differ from the Communist ideology but contradicts it in toto. However, our relations at various levels are good with North Yemen".

Asked whether he thought it would be necessary to give the new Egyptian President some time to settle, Prince Sultan said "we are opposed to Camp David and our stance on it has not changed. We expect the new president to do what he thinks is good for his country's national interest and its relations with the Arab states. We expect him to exercise his role in accordance with the interest of the Arabs".

On King Khaled's health, Prince Sultan said the monarch is in good health. He had undergone periodical medical tests which are necessary for any head of state with the preoccupations of King Khaled, he added.

The defense minister said "the magnanim-

ous person in King Khaled will continue (to shower) his paternal love on every citizen of this generous land. In his reign, the Kingdom has gained welfare and prosperity. He has left the hospital in good health and, although medical instructions call for periodic checks, he refuses to do so. His admission into the hospital for periodic checkup had taken place after a great insistence."

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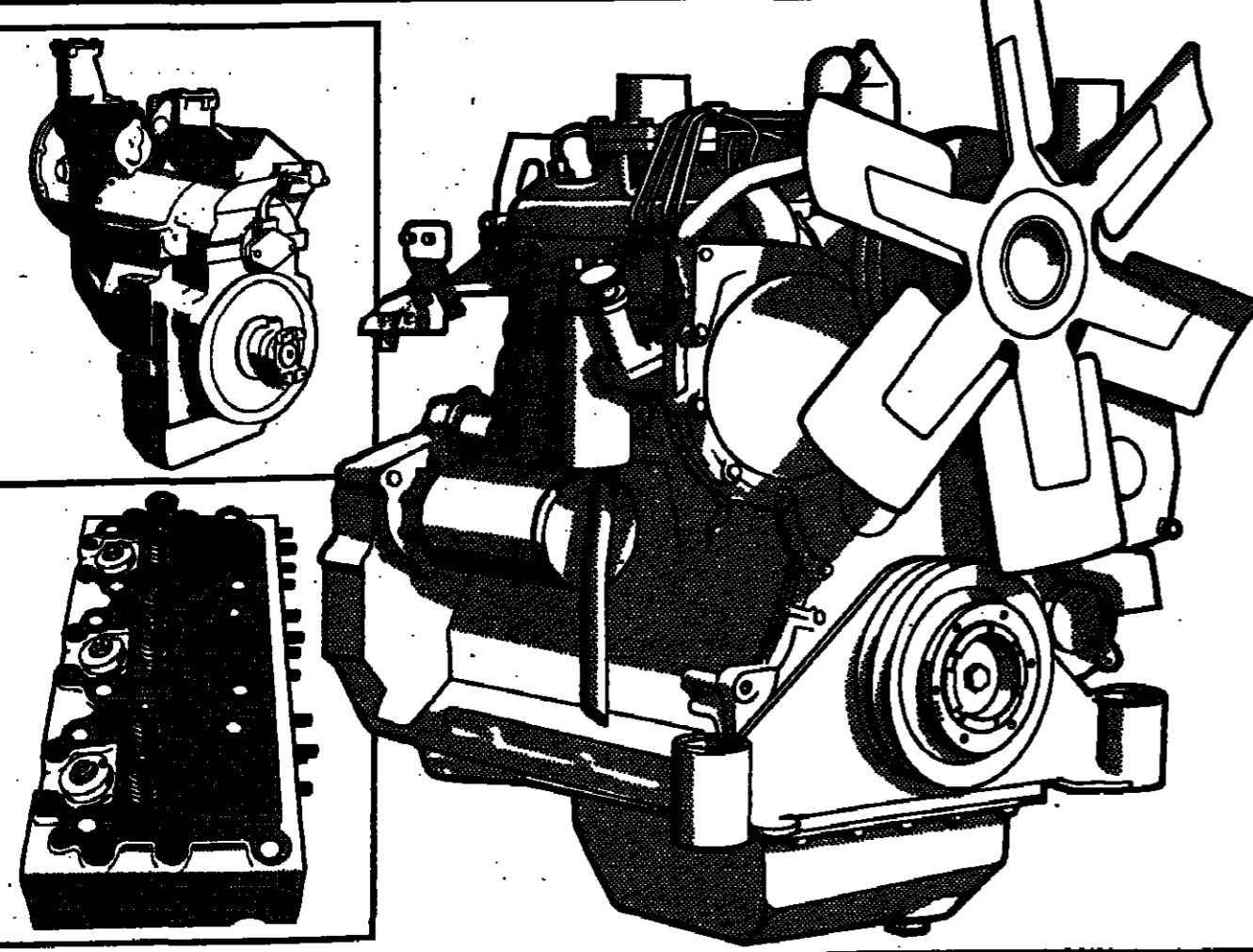
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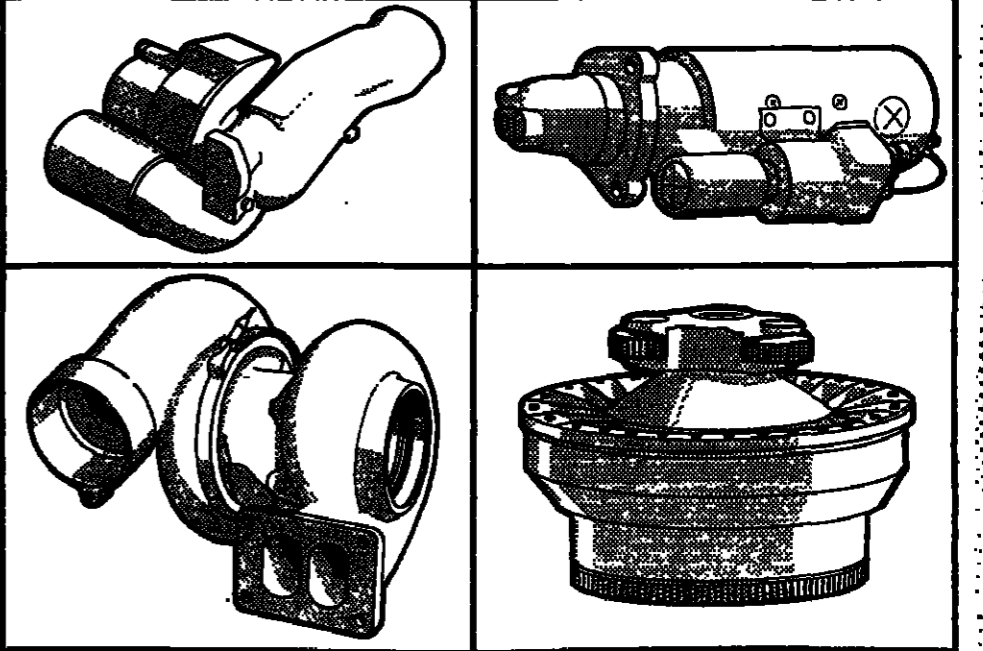
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**Backs Saudi peace plan**

# China says Begin acting like Hitler

PEKING, Nov. 4 (R) — China expressed its concern Wednesday that the Soviet Union would be the prime beneficiary of continuing confrontation in the Middle East and criticized Israeli policies, comparing them with those of Hitler's Germany.

In unusually extensive publicity to efforts to find a Middle East solution, three articles by the New China News Agency and the *People's Daily* gave Peking's blessing to Saudi Arabia's eight-point proposal that Israel has rejected. The articles accused Israel of transgression. One of them accused the government of Prime Minister Menahem Begin of acting like Hitler by basing its security on the occupation of other countries' territory.

A second article accused President Reagan's administration of bias by insisting that the Palestine Liberation Organization

(PLO) recognized Israel's right to exist before Washington would have dealings with the Palestinians.

However the article's comments on the U.S. stand were not entirely negative, noting that Washington had voiced guarded appreciation of the Saudi peace plan.

Reagan's statement expressing readiness to solve the problem and eventually to talk to the PLO shows a sense of realism," it said.

A third article dwelt on China's prime concern — that the Soviet Union might gain from the current deadlock.

The present confrontation between Israel and the Arab world helps Soviet expansionism," the New China News Agency said in a commentary. Continuing tension meant that Arab countries turned to Moscow for arms, and this helped the Soviet Union to penetrate the strategic region, it said.

"Once the confrontation ends and peace returns, the Kremlin would find it much more difficult to interfere in and influence the affairs of the region," it added. Moscow might even find itself confronted with a united opposition to its "hegemony," the agency said.

# Haig assures Begin on U.S. adherence to Camp David

TEL AVIV, Nov. 4 (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig, in a letter to Prime Minister Menahem Begin, promised that the United States would adhere to the Camp David accords for Mideast peace, Israel radio reported Wednesday.

In a note delivered by the U.S. charge d'affaires, Haig also assured Begin that agreements on strategic cooperation between Israel and the United States would be fulfilled, the radio report said. Neither Israeli nor American officials could be reached by telephone to confirm the state radio report.

The note followed Washington's invitation to Defense Minister Ariel Sharon to visit Washington later this month for talks with Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger and was viewed as an American effort to repair strains in relations with Israel caused by the sale of sophisticated weapons to Saudi Arabia.

# Libyan withdrawal from Chad continues

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NDJAMENA, Nov. 4 (AFP) — The Libyan airlift of troops and equipment from Chad resumed early Wednesday following Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi's decision to pull his forces out of the country. A Soviet-built Ilyushin-76 transport of Libyan Arab Airlines landed to start loading the reconnaissance aircraft, jeeps and armored cars lining the runway at Ndjamena civil airport.

Local Libyan Commander Col. Radwan Salah Radwan said Tuesday that the withdrawal from the capital and surrounding district should be completed in two or three days, as requested by Chadian President Goukouni Ouedde's and all Libyan forces should have left Chad within two weeks.

President Goukouni, who invited the Libyans in 11 months ago to help him defeat rebel former Defense Minister Hissene

Habre, gave a deadline of Dec. 31 for the total withdrawal of Libya's forces, estimated at some 10,000.

A reliable source said Wednesday that rumors of a Libyan withdrawal had been circulating for the past two days at Abeche, in eastern Chad, where a large garrison of Qaddafi's troops are based.

However the lack of telephone and air

communications between Ndjamena and towns in northern and eastern Chad made it impossible to obtain any indication whether the Libyans had started evacuating from places other than Ndjamena.

The Chadian government had Tuesday night still not received any official communication from Tripoli on the withdrawal.

# U.S. military team in Rabat for talks

RABAT, Nov. 4 (AP) — U.S. Assistant Secretary of Defense Francis J. West Jr. arrived from Washington Wednesday at the head of a delegation of senior American military experts for two days of talks with Moroccan leaders. Moroccan sources said the group was expected to discuss a standing request for additional deliveries of American

arms and military aircraft to the Moroccan armed forces.

The equipment is needed largely to bolster Moroccan firepower in the six-year-old desert war against the Polisario movement fighting for independence of the Moroccan-annexed Western Sahara, the sources said.

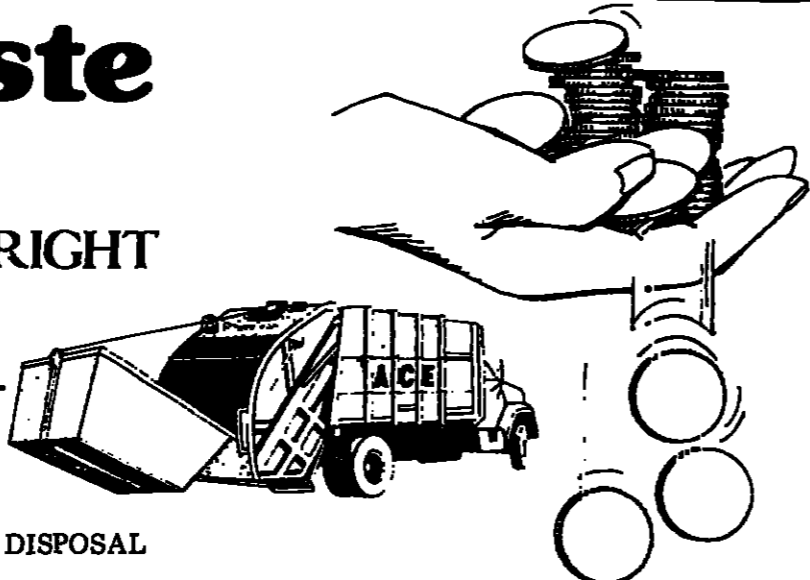
# Arafat visits Tunisia

TUNIS, Nov. 4 (R) — The Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization Yasser Arafat met Tunisian Foreign Minister Beji Caid Essebsi Wednesday, the Tunisian news agency reported. Arafat's presence in Tunis had not been previously announced.

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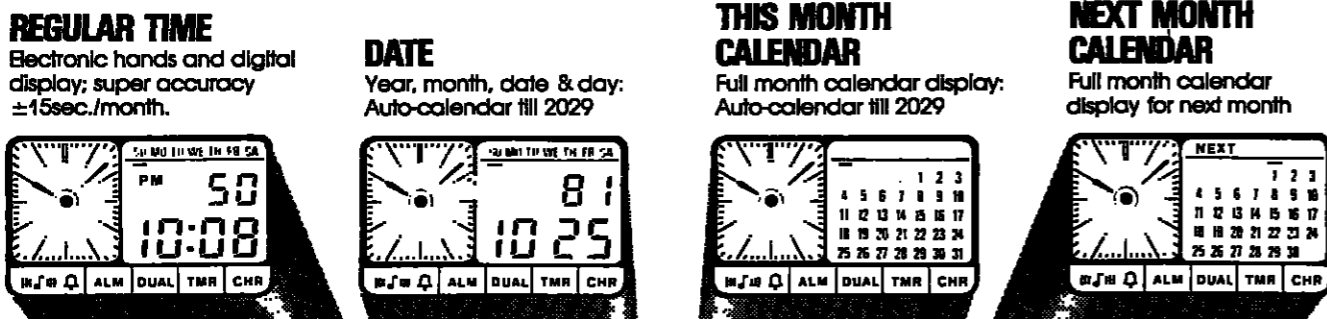
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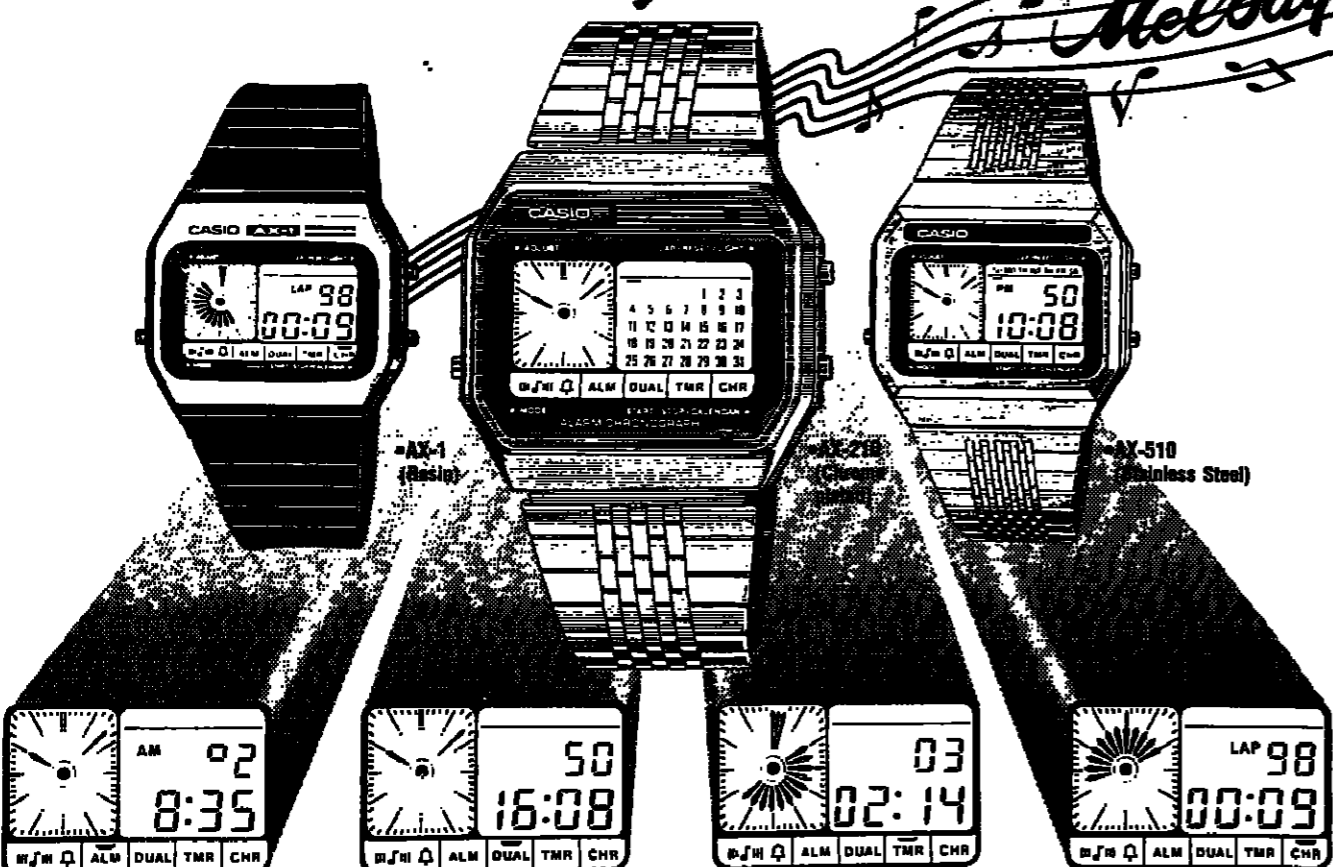
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### U.S. committed to Camp David

## Hussein, Reagan differ on peace bid

By Susan Grey  
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON Nov. 4 — President Reagan and Jordan's King Hussein winding up two days of talks Wednesday agreed to pursue a "just and comprehensive peace" in the Middle East but with acute differences remaining between them on achieving that goal.

The American president, at least publicly, told the king his administration remains committed to the Camp David peace process, the basis for the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty and the ongoing negotiations regarding Palestinian autonomy on the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Downplaying their differences, the two leaders Tuesday stressed the firm foundation of United States — Jordanian relations, extending over 25 years, and Jordan's appar-

ent continuing reliance on the United States as its main supplier of military equipment.

Without being specific U.S. officials said later that the United States will consider selling Jordan an upgraded version of the Hawk air defense missile. Jordan's arms inventory already includes an older version of this weapon, but Hussein has asked for an updated missile which is more mobile.

"The security and well-being of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan is a matter of historic and enduring concern to the United States," Reagan told Hussein as he left the White House after a second round of meeting between the two leaders.

In addition to assuring Hussein that despite broad differences over the formula for peace in the Middle East, he can still count on U.S. security cooperation. The main theme the Reagan administration seemed to be imparting was that the United States will never seri-

ously consider an Israeli plan to transform Jordan into a Palestinian state.

In other visits to the United States since the signing of the Camp David accords in 1978, the Carter administration openly pressured Hussein to drop his opposition and join the negotiating framework laid out under the peace plan signed by Egypt, Israel and the United States.

In the flurry of attention paid the week to the Saudi Arabian Crown Prince Fahd's eight-point peace plan, the Reagan administration reasserted its commitment to Camp David, but it also apparently did little to press Hussein to join the talks on Palestinian self-rule.

Both meetings between the two leaders were relatively short — the second lasting only 46 minutes — an indication that no substantive effort was made to change Hussein's view about Camp David.

Meanwhile, King Hussein was quoted Wednesday as saying that cooperation between Jordan and the Soviet Union "has good prospects". In an interview published by the Soviet weekly *Literary Gazette*, Hussein said "Jordanian-Soviet relations are developing in a favorable direction, they rest on a solid foundation."

A senior U.S. official said Tuesday in Washington that Hussein, who visited the Soviet Union earlier this year, is interested in buying arms from Moscow.

*Literary Gazette* also quoted Hussein as saying that the Camp David peace plan was "dead."

## Israel closes Bir Zeit U

TEL AVIV, Nov. 4 (AP) — Israeli military authorities Wednesday ordered Bir Zeit University in the occupied West Bank closed indefinitely after a demonstration by Palestinian Arab students. College Vice President Izat Gorali said. It was the third straight day of disturbances at the university which is a center of Palestinian nationalism in the West Bank.

Israeli soldiers fired tear gas at about 100-200 Palestinian students demonstrating and throwing stones near the college, 20 kms north of Jerusalem, a military spokesman said.

Gorali told the Associated Press the students had been protesting shootings in the village of Bir Zeit the previous night, when Israeli soldiers fired shots in the air and tear-gassed them. The military governor ordered the university closed on two-hour's notice after the demonstrators locked themselves into a campus building, Gorali said.

Earlier in the week, eight Bir Zeit students were arrested for throwing rocks during a demonstration protesting Israeli-Egyptian sponsored autonomy for the West Bank. The college was last closed for a week in November 1980 when students attempted to hold a banned Palestinian week featuring local Arab culture.

## Soviet bombing 'kills 50' Heavy fighting hits Kandahar

ISLAMABAD, Nov. 4 (AP) — Heavy fighting has again erupted around Kandahar, Afghanistan's second largest city which has been twice all but overrun by anti-Soviet resistance fighters, reliable Afghan sources said Wednesday. More than 50 civilians were feared killed in Soviet bombing, they said.

"It was the most serious battle in Kandahar since the first big fighting there last spring," said a Kandahar native, reached by telephone in Quetta, Pakistan, about 240 kilometers east of the Afghan provincial capital. The

informant declined to be identified. He and other sources quoting eyewitness account, said six Soviet ground and air forces bombed parts of the city and nearby villages from Oct. 24-29 following the defection of an Afghan army air defense unit at Now-Deh, about six kilometers west of Kandahar.

Casualty figures could not be confirmed, they stressed. But various estimates suggested at least 50 Afghans were killed and some 12 wounded.

## Iranians mark U.S. Embassy seizure

BEIRUT, Nov. 4 (AP) — Iranian schoolchildren Wednesday gathered in front of what used to be the American Embassy in Tehran to mark the second anniversary of the embassy's seizure by militant students in 1979, Tehran residents reported.

Iranian officials closed schools Wednesday to enable the students to participate in the demonstrations, according to the residents interviewed by telephone by the Associated Press office in Beirut.

The residents, who wished to remain anonymous, said the children most of them six or seven years old, from Tehran's primary schools, braved the cool late-fall Tehran weather to show their support for the regime of Ayatollah Khomeini, and for the seizure of the embassy.

### BRIEFS

BEIRUT, (AFP) — A powerful bomb exploded in the southern Lebanese port city of Saida early Wednesday, but no one was injured, reports said. Buildings and cars were damaged in the blast, in a major city center square.

Assembly said in an interview published Wednesday. Turkey's military rulers have given the assembly the job of preparing a constitution.

ANKARA, (R) — Democracy will be restored as soon as possible in Turkey, the president of the Turkish Consultative

TEL AVIV, (AFP) — The Israeli ambassador to Washington, Ephraim Evron, will be replaced soon by a hawkish supporter of Premier Menahem Begin, Israeli radio reported Tuesday night.

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## THE WEST & ARAB MODERATION

Western capitals appear to be working within a consensus over the question of the Middle East. The way forward, they think, is through cooperation with what they call the "moderate" Arab governments. The definition of "moderation" varies, of course, according to circumstance and outlook, but it is generally agreed that, whichever way you look at it, both Saudi Arabia and Jordan are moderates; that they are genuinely interested in a just settlement; and that they will work hard toward its peaceful achievement.

This conviction has found reflection in the flurry of high-level diplomatic activity centered on the two countries. The Saudi capital has received both PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat and British Foreign Minister and President of the EEC Council of Ministers Lord Carrington. At the same time, King Hussein of Jordan is receiving President Reagan's hospitality in Washington. In both cases one issue is under consideration: that of the revitalization of the search for peace in the Middle East.

Saudi Arabia and Jordan have had no quarrel with the label of "moderation" which their interlocutors have used to describe them. But they have made sure that all understand that there are clear-cut conditions without which there can be no solution for the Middle East — conditions such as the return of East Jerusalem as well as all of the occupied territories, and the establishment of the Palestinian state. It is only then that all of the states in the area can have lasting security.

The clarity with which the moderate Arab states have put their case has impressed the international community sufficiently for a perceptible increase of urgency to be detected in the utterances of Europe's leaders on the issue. The latest example of this came as President Mitterrand reiterated France's commitment to Palestinian self-determination. Few also doubt that Lord Carrington will return from Riyadh with deeper understanding and stronger commitment to a more active European role. Indeed, he has already declared his endorsement of the Fahd plan as a basis for negotiations, and emphasized the need for both the United States and the Soviet Union to deal with it as such.

## Saudi Arabian press review

Wednesday's newspapers hailed Crown Prince Fahd's comprehensive statement that clearly explained the basic aims of the Kingdom's peace plan and stressed the Kingdom's firm stand in support of Arab and Islamic fraternal issues.

*Al-Yom* noted Crown Prince Fahd has outlined the three conditions attached to the Kingdom's peace plan, namely the Palestinians are the most important factor in the region, peace in the region should be based on the realities of the area and the internationally recognized right of the PLO as the sole representative of the Palestinian people.

*Al-Bilad* commended the worldwide attention and backing given to Crown Prince Fahd's plan as the most suitable alternative for securing peace in the area.

"Crown Prince Fahd has outlined the dimensions of the great responsibilities shouldered by Saudi Arabia to give a proper visualization of Arab fraternal issues and aspirations," the paper added. Dealing with the same subject, *Al-Madina* said the explanation provided by Prince Fahd produced a worldwide favorable response to the Kingdom's peace plan and has opened up new doors to break the stalemate in the Middle East through the Kingdom's constructive diplomatic and political moves for solving the Arab-

Israeli conflict. Referring to the current talks underway between British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington and Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal, the paper said the president of the European Economic Community's Council of Ministers, Lord Carrington will take the chance to learn more about the Saudi Arabian peace proposals in the context of Arab stands on the issue prior to the upcoming European EEC summit.

On the same subject, *Al-Nadwa* urged the Arabs to give unanimous support and backing for the Kingdom's Middle East peace plan, so as not to forfeit the favorable initiative from Arab hands. "We are facing an unprecedented crucial stage of coordination and mobilization of Arab potentials, with the Kingdom playing a leading role for restoring the usurped Arab rights," it said.

"Lord Carrington's duty as the president of the European Economic Community's Council of Ministers should be to carefully sound out the viewpoints of all sides involved in the conflict. It will also be a valuable contribution to the peace process if Lord Carrington on behalf of the EEC meets with PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, as it has become an internationally accepted fact that the PLO is the sole representative of the Palestinian people," *Al-Nadwa* added (SPA)

## USSR-Japan relations at 'chilliest' point

By Todd Carrel

TOKYO —

Top-level Japanese and Russian officials here agree that improving strained relations would be an economic and political boon for both countries, but neither side will lead the way to the bargaining table.

Soviet and Japanese sources in Tokyo, who asked not to be identified, agreed that bilateral relations are at one of the "chilliest" points since the end of World War II. The Soviet source warned that the "American factor" was wielding an "unusually great" influence on Japanese foreign policy.

Tokyo's conservative government has provided loyal support to the U.S. call for economic and political sanctions against Moscow after the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan in December 1979. Ties have also been badly frayed by a long, and increasingly bitter, dispute over four small islands claimed by Japan and held by Russia since World War II.

At a brief September meeting in New York, foreign ministers from the two nations took a tentative step to thaw the chill. Andrei Gromyko and Sumo agreed to renew dialogue and begin an exchange of high-level officials. But the Tokyo source said no specific plan was worked out.

Any optimism the Gromyko-Sonoda talks may have spawned was suppressed last week when Soviet Education Minister Michail Prokofiev abruptly canceled a trip here because he was granted a specific visa instead of a diplomatic one. Prokofiev, the first high-level Soviet official to visit Japan since the Russian intervention in Afghanistan, was to meet with political leaders on an unofficial visit at the invitation of a parliamentary group. The Japanese government said that since it was understood from the start that the visit was unofficial, it viewed the cancellation as "incomprehensible."

The Soviet source said "Japan has more than the Soviet Union" from the diplomatic wall built between the two countries. Many Japanese businessmen — who claim to have lost as much as half a billion dollars in contracts last year because of the economic sanctions — would agree with that assessment. The Soviet source said his country wants to develop its natural resources and industrial capabilities in eastern Siberia and the Soviet Far East — an area ideally situated to receive Japanese cooperation.

When Japan stopped exporting what his country wanted, he said, the orders for port complexes and machinery went to Europe. Because of the vast economic potential, some Japanese politicians are leaning toward easing trade obstacles to see whether economic cooperation will help defuse political tensions, according to Soviet affairs specialist Hiroshi Teratani of Tokyo's Aoyama Gakuin University.

Although the Soviet Union's Far East Military Force has increased significantly in recent years, sources on both sides said some of Japan's rhetoric about a Soviet military threat is overblown. The same sources said they were convinced that more trade and other bilateral contacts would benefit both nations. With two-way trade at \$4.7 billion last year, the Soviet Union was Japan's 16th largest trading partner.

But efforts to improve ties continue to stumble over four rocky islands. Japan insists that it will never discuss a peace treaty formally ending World War II hostilities between the two countries until Moscow consents to negotiate the Northern Territories issue — the fight over the islands historically the home of Japanese fishermen, but occupied by Soviet troops since 1945.

The Japanese proclaim they won't shelve the issue, and the Soviets maintain their position is "unchangeable." The Soviet source said his country was "against a revision of the results of the Second World War...the Japanese know our position very well." He charged that the public campaign for return of the disputed territory has been "artificially stimulated" from top ranks of the government.

"When I came here 22 years ago, there was no such thing as a movement for the return of the so-called Northern Territories," he said. "Now officials say this is the will of the whole Japanese people. But nobody raised this question before."

Moscow has accused Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki of acting out of political self-interest in fanning public indignation toward the Soviet Union on the issue of the islands.

Although Japanese intellectuals have long been attracted to Russian literature, Russia was fared poorly in the public eye here for the past century. It was the enemy in the 1904-5 Russo-Japan war, a power rival during Japan's pre-war expansionist period and a harsh victor when Soviet troops overran the Japanese in Manchuria at the end of World War II.

Japanese fishermen operating in the Soviet Union's 320 km zone have had constant problems with Soviet patrol boats and frequently face large fines for alleged fishing violations.

A nationwide poll released by the prime minister's office in September showed 37 percent of the populace did not feel friendly toward the Soviet Union. Only seven percent said they felt friendly. That poll also showed 76 percent of the 3,000 respondents considered the state of Russo-Japanese relations "unfavorable" because Moscow denies Japan's claim to the Northern Territories (AP)

## Bush narrowly escapes murder

By Geoffrey Matthews

BOGOTA —

American Vice-President George Bush came perilously close to assassination when he visited Colombia on Oct. 13. As it was, he left the country the next day with no idea that he, his wife Barbara, many members of his party, as well as Colombian government officials, airport staff and waiting passengers, could have been killed in a bomb massacre the moment he arrived on Colombian soil.

Bush's narrow escape has received no attention in the international press because the plot was not discovered until a few days after his otherwise uneventful visit to Bogota, the Colombian capital. Security officials shuddered when the plot was discovered, admitting that it might so easily have succeeded.

Seven powerful charges of dynamite, each weighing over 22 pounds, were found buried within a few feet of the main runway not far from the terminal at Bogota's Eldorado international airport. The dynamite was rigged to a 900ft cable, covered by grass, which ran to a nearby road from which the guerrillas apparently planned to detonate it.

An obscure Marxist urban guerrilla group called Autodefensa Obrera later claimed responsibility for planting the dynamite with the aim, it said, of



## Sub incident mars Soviet Nordic diplomacy

By Chris Mosey

STOCKHOLM —

The inadvertent capture of a Soviet submarine by neutral Sweden last week was distinctly embarrassing for all concerned. A drama that at times bore a distinct resemblance to an old Peter Sellers comedy, *The Mouse that Roared*, nonetheless revealed serious gaps in the nation's defenses while at the same time proved to be a major setback to years of Soviet diplomatic efforts to improve its relations with the Nordic nations.

The submarine went aground on a rock in the narrow channel at the entrance to Sweden's main southern naval base, Karlskrona, last Tuesday night. The noise of its arrival and its repeated attempts to get clear woke up local inhabitants on islands in the vicinity, but they assumed it was just the Swedish Navy playing war games and went back to sleep.

It wasn't until Wednesday that startled Ingvar

Svensson, 50, returned from an early morning fishing trip and spotted the twin-screw sub on the rocks, guarded by men wearing for hats decorated with red stars, carrying submachine guns. He phoned the Swedish Navy. By the time three Swedish torpedo boats arrived on the scene, the Soviet sub had been high and dry in a restricted military area of Swedish territorial water for 12 hours, just eight nautical miles from the Karlskrona base.

A shame-faced Russian captain, 35-year-old Piotr Guzjin, explained via a loud-hailer in halting German that he had suffered radar failure and had made "a navigational error." The Swedes informed him that he was in a restricted area and Guzjin allowed Commander Karl Andersson to come aboard. Andersson said afterward that Guzjin and his 56-man crew were "extremely depressed." When Guzjin was asked what would happen to him when he returned to his home base in Kaliningrad, he drew the edge of his hand across his throat.

In Stockholm Soviet Ambassador Mikhail Jakovlev was summoned to the foreign ministry and "informed" about the incident. Aboard the submarine Guzjin told startled Andersson that he had radioed for help and the Soviet Navy was on its way to salvage him.

Andersson left the submarine and called Stockholm. Ambassador Jakovlev was hastily summoned back to the foreign ministry where he was handed a formal note protesting at "flagrant violation of Swedish territorial rights."

Four Soviet ships — a salvage boat, a recovery vessel and two destroyers — were by this time spotted steaming through the gathering darkness toward Swedish waters. It was at this point that Jakovlev returned to the foreign ministry, this time at his own request, to explain that the submarine had suffered Giro compass failure and to ask permission for the Soviet ships to salvage it. This was refused and he was told the Swedish Navy would salvage the stricken sub.

Naval reinforcements were sent from Stockholm and Sweden held its breath and waited.

As night fell searchlights were turned onto the submarine. Swedish boats encircled it and more patrolled the surrounding area as Viggen jets from the Swedish Air Force screamed overhead. The Soviet ships halted just outside Swedish waters but more were reported to be heading in the same direction.

As dawn broke on Thursday Defense Minister

Torsten Gustafsson described the incident as "the most serious violation of Swedish neutrality since the Second World War" and then left for Oslo in neighboring Norway for a prearranged meeting of Nordic defense ministers. The rest of the Swedish cabinet went into emergency session. Then, as if it wasn't bad enough having one Soviet submarine on its hands, a second "unidentified" U-boat was spotted inside Swedish waters in the Karlskrona area. It headed rapidly back out to international waters when a Swedish plane dropped a depth charge nearby.

By early afternoon the Swedish cabinet had reached a decision. A press conference had already been called for the announcement of income tax reforms. Incredible as it may seem, the cabinet decided that the submarine issue would be dealt with after this. Swedes have a passion for order. When the details of the complex tax package had been gone through, Prime Minister Thorbjorn Falldin duly announced that orders had been given to Supreme Commander Lennart Ljung to salvage the sub and interrogate the crew.

Foreign Minister Ola Ullsten said that his Soviet opposite number, Andrei Gromyko, had agreed that the Swedes should salvage the sub. If he had, it was doubtful that the submarine itself had been informed of the decision.

When a Swedish boat put out from Karlskrona late Thursday night to start interrogations, which it had been decided had to be completed before the salvaging operation could take place, the Russians refused to allow anyone aboard. By this time Captain Guzjin was reported to have been relieved of his command by a "political officer" and to be under virtual arrest in his cabin.

On Friday the Swedes announced that no attempt would be made to refloat the badly dented but quite seaworthy submarine until the crew had agreed to cooperate and explain what they were doing in the area. There is little doubt in Sweden as to what they were doing, however. Defense experts say the sub had been sent in to take a good look at minefields guarding the inlets to Karlskrona.

They say the 25-year-old submarine itself is "technically uninteresting." However, its log book could tell a very interesting story and it might also contain advanced surveillance equipment.

The Swedish Navy seemed set to play a waiting game with the Russians. "First we must interrogate the crew, then we will get their sub afloat. We are not in any hurry. We have all the time in the world," said a spokesman for the defense ministry. (ONS)

### 1990 super-computers

## Self-sufficient machines foreseen which can build robots, do repairs

By Keith Stafford

TOKYO (R) — Japan has started laying the foundations of a plan to build a super-sophisticated family of computers to be introduced in the 1990s capable of talking in any language, repairing themselves and controlling workplaces as different as manufacturing plants and engineering works.

The Japanese companies which would take part in the development of these new machines see it as a means of catapulting themselves to the forefront of the word computer industry. Administrators see the super-computer as the key to solving social problems.

The aim is to create a vast Japanese research project from which technical break-throughs could spread, affecting anyone in any country which can be reached by telephone.

The name coined for the new machines by computer scientists and engineers is the "fifth generation" computer. A study group has already taken the first step in the project, sketching the path Japan should take to enable the new computer to appear by the end of this decade.

Until now, computers have been designed for numerical calculation and development has concentrated on providing bigger capacities and higher operating speeds but all the systems have resulted in complexity in the way the machines are operated. The world of the computer has been closed to all but a

minority of highly trained operators armed with keyboards, discs and tapes and a knowledge of computer languages.

But now improved technology and large-scale programming, has reduced manufacturing costs and simplified production with the machines emerging as in the use of a computer language called "basic" in the growing population of the personal computer.

The fifth generation computer is so called because the first computers used tubes, the second semi-conductors, the third integrated circuits and the fourth large scale integrated circuits.

Now Japanese computer scientists, armed with ultra large integrated circuits, plan to target computer development for years ahead, create cheaper machines with memories 100 to 10,000 times bigger than those in current products and capable of working 10 to 1,000 times faster.

These smaller machines would closely resemble artificial brains having over a vast memory store of the world's knowledge and readily useable to the general public. A preliminary announcement was recently released showing scientists spent two years studying the research and social implications of these computers.

It envisages a computer terminal capable of accepting voice commands in any language and any accent. It would be able to read, including an understanding of Japanese and Chinese characters and abbreviations, while

being fully capable of responding to different colors and mathematical symbols. The report said the computers would be able to read and write and understand many languages. However, the research still hasn't delved beyond the basic level, being limited to the world of small vocabularies and subjects.

The future generation of computers should be developed with a view to making them both useable by the public — and likeable, the report states.

Research would embrace systems to work telephones, whole terminals and television receivers into a communications network.

The new terminals would be lightweight, able to clarify even vague instructions, be able to diagnose and repair their own malfunctions and operate in secrecy to protect individual privacy, thwart computer crime and prevent any unauthorized use.

The ambitious project, which is likely to receive the support of the Japanese government would thrust the Japanese computer industry, now the world's second largest after the United States, into the lead producing increased export earnings and help Japan to improve its already well-educated workforce.

The report says: "although we have forged the lead of other types in computer technology up to now, new developments will break world tradition and center our efforts on the computers of the future."

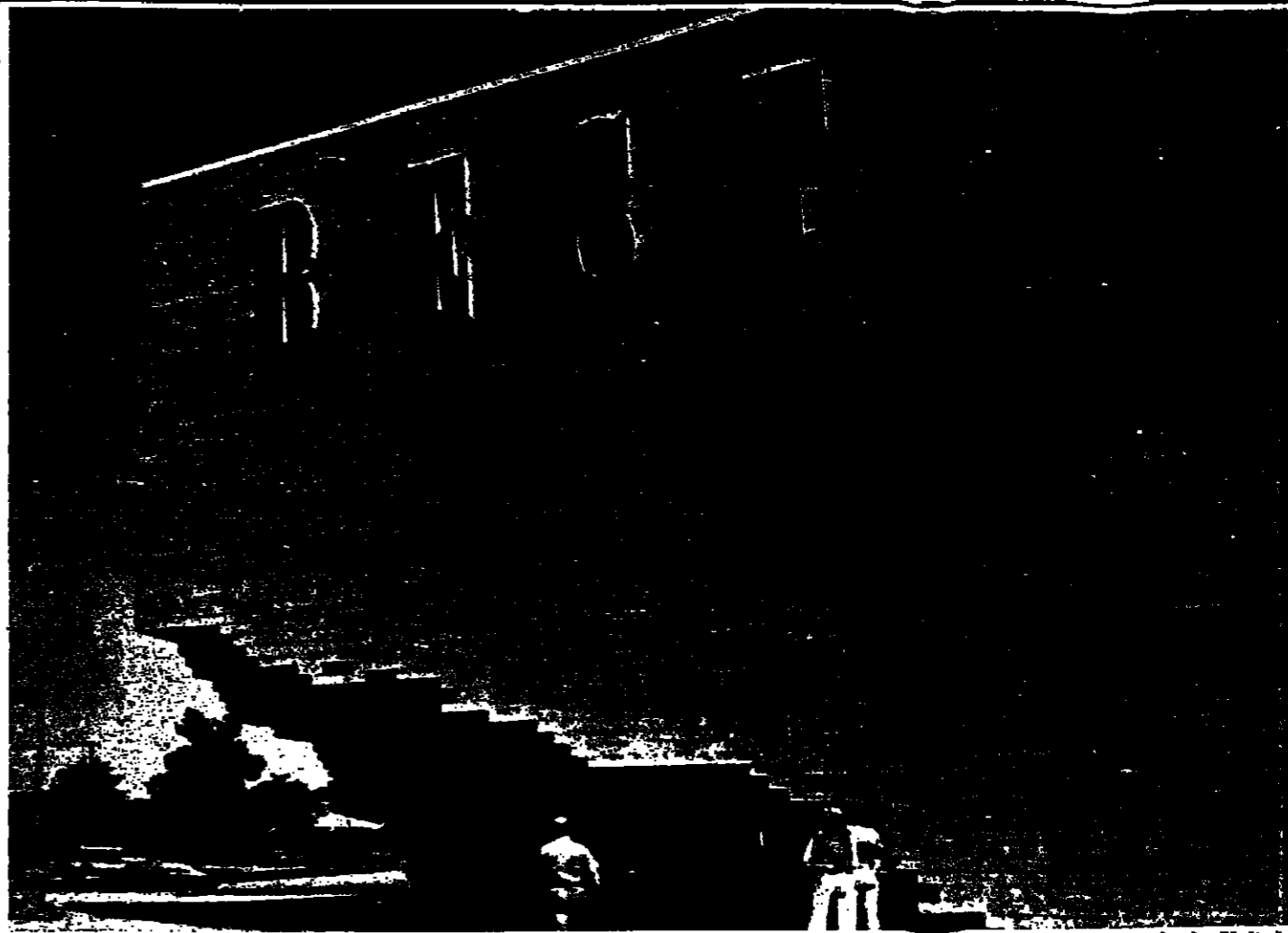
Initially the new machines would be introduced in Japan for a wide variety of uses, including the building of an array of intelligent robots, the creation of a lifetime education system, remote medical checks by telephone as part of a streamlined, cheaper medical service for the country's aged.

Some scientists foresee other developments such as the possible growth of a stay-at-home white collar workforce and the spread of accounting methods down to the corner shop and the possible use of terminals in voting in elections.

The fifth generation computer must be the machine that should work to fit the human being, contrary to the present way whereby the human being has to follow the rule of the machine.

One of the most important targets of the fifth (generation) is that the machines will be available to everyone, which means every person can use them without hesitation.

Another potential value of these machines is the ability of people from different countries to talk to one another easily, since the computers will be capable of carrying out all the translating. Computers promise to show that people who do not understand Japanese are not people who come from outer space but common people separated by a barrier of language.



DIS-INTEGRATED ARCHITECTURE: While most builders strive to create buildings that won't disintegrate, architects in the United States have designed a structure which gives the immediate impression of disintegration. It is all part of this new building in Sacramento, California which was built with its 45-ton corner missing.

### Potential threats predicted

## New weather analysis techniques use world-wide data, facilities

By Randolph E. Schmid

WASHINGTON (AP) — When drought threatens crops in Africa, typhoons cause flooding in Asia or frost damages coffee beans in Brazil, a team of American weather experts charts and analyzes the damage and its potential threat. Keeping watch on the effects of weather in the United States and around the world is the Center for Environmental Assessment Services, headed by an enthusiastic meteorologist named Malcolm Reid.

The group collects weather information from ground stations, satellites and foreign nations and feeds it into computer in Columbia, Missouri, which compare the data with models of the atmosphere and relate the numbers to such things as crop yields and

consumption of electricity and natural gas.

The information then comes back to Washington, where Reid's team analyzes it and issues regular reports on how the climate is affecting the world and what are the likely consequences of unusual weather.

For example, Douglas Lacompte, Reid's expert on Africa, noted that every year since the late 1960 there has been drought in parts of the Western Sahel, the region along the southern edge of the Sahara Desert.

And again this year, according to his latest analysis, there are problems, with potential for abnormal food shortages in Niger and Chad and continuing food shortages expected in Cape Verde and Mauritania.

Local weather services generally provide information to the Americas, but they have

to depend on satellites for data on such places as war-torn Chad, which meteorologists haven't heard from for years.

In some cases, Reid said, "it's king of a strange situation in that we're telling countries in these less-developed areas what's going on in their own country."

The center's reports are, in fact, sought by foreign officials and U.S. embassies overseas as well as U.S. government officials.

"The basic idea being that using weather and weather-type data you can get a better feel, perhaps, for what's going on in some of these countries than they know in the country," Reid said.

He said the Agency for International Development is an important user of these reports.

## Patients cherish artwork created on hospital casts

By Harry Dederichs

NEW YORK, (AP) — Living with a broken arm or leg in a cast can be depressing. It was for 24-year-old Michael T. Poole, who nearly tore off his cast in frustration after an auto accident in May. Instead, he decided to paint it — a service which he now provides for others.

"I almost picked it apart," Poole said of the cast on his right arm, his writing hand. As an art student, he knew he could not destroy art. So taking up a brush in his shaky left hand, he used art to protect the cast.

"It was psychologically easier to deal with," Poole recalled.

When he got out of the hospital, the cast — decorated with skydiver descending on a tropical island — drew so much attention that he saw a business opportunity.

Poole charges \$35 for painting a full arm cast, which takes about one hour. He asks \$55 for a full leg and \$100 for a full body cast. Have paint brush, will travel. That's

Poole's motto. "I can't ask them to limp to my place," he says, so he works in hospitals or in sick rooms in homes.

He says doctors and nurses are delighted about his work because it often perks up the patient and speeds the healing process. But the patients get the most from it — less frustration during a sad time.

Poole, who lost his wife two years ago in another car accident, paints almost everything his customers ask for. If they have no ideas, he has a catalogue with 50 examples. His favorites are reproducing of Da Vinci, Monet and Van Gogh. His customers are mostly young people.

"Children like Snoopy or other characters from the child's world," Poole said. "With that, kids overcome their frustration easier."

Poole works with acrylic paint, which is waterproof, although the cast usually is not. If a customer comes to him just before the cast is to be removed, Poole will peel off the painting in one piece so it can be preserved.

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# Weinberger favors parity with Soviets

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4 (R) — Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger has said the Soviet Union clearly believed that it could come out the victor in a nuclear war and for this reason the United States had to acquire a similar capability. "By their actions they must clearly think it's winnable," Weinberger told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

His remarks Tuesday were in defense of the \$180 billion plan announced by the Reagan administration last month which would upgrade the U.S. nuclear arsenal over six years by building the B-1 bomber, the MX missile and taking other measures.

"I do feel confident that the Soviets must believe they can (win a nuclear exchange), and they are planning and developing and developing techniques, specifically referring capability, which clearly indicates that they can, that they have that goal," the defense secretary said.

"And therefore, I think we have to, if we are going to maintain the strategic balance, acquire similar capabilities," Sen. John Glenn, a Democratic defense expert, asked Weinberger to explain a recent *New York Times* interview in which he seemed to be calling for a return to the U.S. nuclear superiority achieved in the 1950s and 1960s.

Weinberger responded that the administration policy was to seek "a degree of deterrent strength that will enable us to keep the peace. I have no quarrel with whatever label you pin on it." The administration's plans to deploy some MX missiles in hardened existing silos and to revive the B-1 bomber project scuttled by the Carter administration have come under heavy criticism from both liberals and defense hawks in Congress.

Weinberger warned Tuesday that if Congress vetoed either program, it would "very severely" weaken the U.S. negotiating position in future arms control talks with the Soviet Union.

"I would think it would be quite clear then to the Soviets we do not have national resolve to take the steps necessary to improve the strategic balance and I think they would find very little reason to agree to any kind of reduction formula," he said.

Asked whether it was realistic to think that a nuclear war could last more than a few days and could include a number of attacks and counterattacks, Weinberger said he did not know whether it was realistic but "it appears that they are, at least planning on more than one strike."

# White House official accused of discrediting Haig

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4 (AFP) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig has said an unnamed, highly placed White House official has for nine months been conducting a "mind-boggling" campaign to discredit him. "This damages my ability to carry out the president's foreign policy," Haig said Tuesday in an interview with Washington syndicated columnist Jack Anderson.

State Department spokesman Dean Fischer said Haig had learned last Saturday

that Anderson was ready to publish quotes from an unidentified White House official saying President Reagan was "disappointed" with Haig.

Fischer said Haig contacted the president, and that the president in turn contacted Anderson and told him he was satisfied with Haig's work. Fischer quoted the president as saying: "I would like to know who is saying these things."

Reagan, speaking with reporters Tuesday during a visit by Archbishop Iakovos, primate of the Greek Orthodox Church of North and South America, said: "We do have a foreign policy and it is a foreign policy that is working well. But it is set back every time clippings go out from embassies to their governments at home that would lead them to believe there is some disarray here... We have a good secretary of state. I think the best we

have had in a long time. He is well thought of abroad."

Rumors circulating in Washington said the White House official in question was Richard Allen, President Reagan's adviser on national security, Reagan said Tuesday. "I don't have much faith in an unnamed source. Sometimes I wonder if there is such a thing..."

Fischer refused to confirm or deny the rumors.

## Prosecutor frees German sergeant

KARLSRUHE, West Germany Nov. 4 (R) — The West German federal prosecutor has freed an army sergeant arrested on suspicion of procuring military weapons for a right-wing extremist group, an official spokesman said Wednesday.

The soldier was detained after a neo-Nazi who later committed suicide in his jail cell, led police to huge quantities of arms buried on Lueneburg heath in north Germany. The spokesman for federal prosecutor Kurt Rebmann said evidence given by the 34-year-old soldier, whose name was withheld, was insufficient to detain him further.

He was originally held on suspicion of belonging to an extremist group which hid 88 crates of arms, explosives and deadly poisons in more than 30 heathland sites, and to have helped the group procure the weapons.



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Ultimatum to contact group

France seeks Namibian accord

PARIS, Nov. 4 (R) — France has served notice it may pull out of the Western "contact group" seeking to negotiate independence for Namibia (Southwest Africa) if agreement on freedom for the South African-controlled territory is not reached promptly.

The warning was delivered by President Francois Mitterrand in a speech opening a Paris meeting attended by heads of state from 31 African nations. At the same time, in an interview with the newspaper *Le Monde*, Mitterrand predicted that Cuban troops in Angola would be withdrawn once the problem of Namibia was solved.

Diplomats said the president's remarks reflected mounting conviction within the French Socialist administration that South Africa aimed to stretch out talks with the five-nation contact group indefinitely.

Envoys of the group — which also include the United States, West Germany, Britain and Canada — were in South Africa and Namibia late last week for discussions on their proposals for United Nations-supervised moves toward independence.

In his speech to the heads of state, mainly from countries under French rule in colonial times, Mitterrand hinted that his initial intention on coming to power in May this year was

to pull out of the group.

France had agreed to stay in, he said, only at the request of its "traditional friends" to ensure that a 1978 U.N. Security Council resolution embodying the Western proposals was fully implemented. But French membership in the group, whose activities have the backing of the United Nations, could not be allowed to serve as a cover for "interminable negotiations," the president declared.

And in what diplomats described as in effect an ultimatum, Mitterrand said it was essential that a firm timetable be drawn up to bring independence to Namibia sometime next year. The territory has been administered by South Africa under a League of Nations mandate since the first World War. "Independence must come in 1982," the French president told the African leaders.

Senior diplomats of other contact group countries said Mitterrand's six-month old administration, committed to forging close links with the Third World, had been playing "a highly positive role" in Namibian diplomacy despite its apparent doubts.

But French political analysts said the government clearly felt that a prolonged presence in the group with no visible sign of progress would prejudice its relationships with

developing countries, particular in Africa.

Under Mitterrand, France has sought to demonstrate understanding of the striving of Third World peoples for complete economic and political independence and to build an image as their true friend in the Western camp.

Although the French government has said it cannot act as broker for developing nations with its Western allies, some African leaders are urging it to play exactly that role. The analysts say French officials felt such trust could not survive if contact group efforts on Namibia failed to move independence closer and France still stayed in.

Radical African states have frequently expressed suspicions that the contact group itself was effectively collaborating with South Africa in postponing full independence for Namibia under cover of lengthy negotiations.

France under Mitterrand, diplomats say, is therefore particularly anxious to demonstrate it would have no part in any covert Western strategy to frustrate black African hopes for the territory.

Meanwhile, France reaffirmed its readiness to provide logistical and financial support for the prompt despatch of an inter-African force to maintain order in Chad. Presidential spokesman Pierre Deregovoy told reporters the offer, made almost two weeks ago by Mitterrand, was confirmed by the French cabinet Wednesday morning.

Beregovoy said the cabinet meeting, with Mitterrand as chairman, was told of a reported Libyan decision to withdraw its troops from Chad, where they have been stationed since intervening late last year to end a long civil war. But Beregovoy gave no indication whether the French government had received independent confirmation of press reports of the decision, which has not yet been announced publicly by Libya.

BRIEFS

LONDON (AP) — The duchess of Westminster, wife of one of the world's wealthiest men, gave birth to her second child Wednesday, a daughter named Lady Edwina Louise. The 30-year-old duke of Westminster inherited a vast fortune in 1979 when his father, the 5th duke, died. His holdings are estimated to be worth 2.5 billion pounds (\$4.7 billion).

NEW DELHI (AP) — King Juan Carlos and Queen Sophia of Spain will visit India for 10 days during the latter half of January, I.P. Singh, India's ambassador-designate to Spain, said Wednesday. The royal couple will be the chief guests at India's Republic Day celebrations Jan. 26 in New Delhi, Singh said.

MANILA (R) — The League of Red Cross Societies Wednesday unanimously approved Norwegian Hans Hoegh as its new secretary-general at its annual general assembly here, a spokesman said. Hoegh replaces Henrik Beer of Sweden, who has led the Geneva-based organization since 1960.

MOSCOW (AFP) — The Soviet Union Wednesday launched another interplanetary probe toward the planet Venus, the second of its kind in six days and 14th in a 20-year-old series. Tass news agency reported. The new probe — *Venera 14* — was programmed to reach Venus in March next year, it said.

PORTSMOUTH, England (AP) — Two one-legged men parachuted 756 meters into the English Channel Tuesday and were rescued by boats, officials said. The jump was organized to raise money for guide dogs for the blind.

MALAGA, Spain (AFP) — Nils Ivar Sundberg, a Swedish UNESCO official, died here Wednesday after suffering a brain hemorrhage. The 68-year-old education specialist was attending the world conference for handicapped persons when he was taken ill.

Sri Lanka Tamils end parliament boycott

COLOMBO, Nov. 4 (R) — Sri Lanka's largest parliamentary opposition group, the Tamil United Liberation Front (TULF), has ended a three-month boycott of parliament. A TULF spokesman said Tuesday the government had agreed to demands which included the setting up of unarmed home guard units throughout the country to help security forces and prevent communal violence.

It had also agreed to more Tamil-speaking

policemen in the northern and eastern provinces, compensation for victims of communal violence and punishment of those involved in such violence, the spokesman added.

The spokesman said TULF leaders had met President Junius Richard Jayawardene and government ministers and had agreed on a number of measures to promote communal harmony, TULF said that in view of the government's attitude it now felt no need to

resort to a planned non-violent campaign to achieve its demands.

At least 10 persons, all Tamils, were killed in clashes between the majority Sinhalese and minority Tamil community last August. The TULF has been demanding a separate state in the north for the 1.4 million Tamils.

An official communique issued Tuesday said a rapport had been reached to preserve peace and stability and to push ahead with the government's development activities.

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# Libya trims price of crude to \$37.50

TOKYO, Nov. 4 (R) — Libya has cut the price of its high-quality Zueitina crude oil to \$37.50 a barrel under OPEC's new price agreement, a Japanese oil company said Wednesday.

Idemitsu Kosan Kaisha said Libya had been asking \$39.90 for Zueitina, while early this year, before a glut hit the world market, the Libyan crude was selling at \$41 a barrel.

OPEC — the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries — last week set a new OPEC floor price of \$34 a barrel for Saudi Arabian light crude, the traditional benchmark.

But there was some confusion about the extra differentials for quality added to the benchmark by African producers of top, petrol-rich grades, Nigeria and price 'hawks' Libya and Algeria.

Libya has apparently come down slightly further below a top ceiling of \$38 than expected. Algeria's Oil Minister Belkacem Nabi has said his price is 'around \$38' but oil sources say Nigeria is asking \$36.50 on current contracts.

The British have yet to set a new price for similar North Sea crudes, sold at \$35. Market analysts say the new moderation of the OPEC Africans suggests an expected British price rise will be small, possibly only \$1.50 rather than a widely-predicted \$2.

London oil sources said reports are current in the industry that Algeria will charge only \$37.50 for its Saharan blend, another 'sweet' top-quality oil, rather than opt for the

\$38 ceiling as Nabi's comment, made to reporters at the OPEC meeting in Geneva last week, appeared to suggest. But an Algerian \$37.50 quote could not be officially confirmed.

The oil company official said: "It seems we are seeing the sweeter crudes softening about 50 cents more than we expected."

Saudi Arabia produced oil at near-record levels despite the present glut to achieve last week's OPEC accord and the price cuts by militants which it involved.

The Saudi Arabians are now trimming to a ceiling of 8.5 million barrels daily, apparently content for the glut to disappear and ready to help OPEC defend prices in a buyers' market. Ahmed Azki Yamani has said, however, that \$38 may still be too high for quality grades and that top prices around \$37 would be more easily defended.

Meanwhile, the Soviet Communist newspaper *Pravda* claimed Wednesday that the agreement reached by OPEC dispelled the hopes of the 'monopolies' to divide OPEC.

The compromise, agreed on last Thursday, "will have far-reaching consequences for international economic and political life," *Pravda* said.

"The accumulation of enormous oil stockpiles by the West, fuel-saving measures, the economic recession in the industrialized capitalist countries and development of other sources of energy — all this seemed to favor the plans of the monopolies," *Pravda* said.

# EEC grants \$40 million in food aid

BRUSSELS, Nov. 4 (AP) — The European Economic Community allocated \$40 million Tuesday for food aid to needy countries.

EEC development ministers, who made the appropriation, said in a communique the aid would include 100,000 tons of cereals and unspecified amounts of vegetable oil and sugar.

The money came from an EEC 1981 budget surplus, most of which is being returned to member countries.

The 100,000 tons of cereal will be donated to an international emergency food reserve from which developing countries draw.

"The EEC calls on other countries to make contributions to the fund," the ministers said.

The ministers also endorsed a plan to study ways of improving aid procedures to make sure money isn't being wasted on unnecessary programs. They also said that future aid programs would concentrate on helping countries improve their own ability to produce food.

# High technology stressed

# U.S. hopeful of keeping edge in trade rivalry

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4 (AP) — A top official of the Commerce Department said Tuesday that he was "cautiously optimistic" that America can maintain its foreign trade competitiveness, especially in high technology.

"We are and we will remain competitive worldwide in some areas, under Secretary Lionel Olmer told the House of Representative Trade Sub-committee. A key reason for the threat to U.S. international competitiveness, he said is that wages have risen more than productivity. While productivity grew by 2.4 percent a year in the last decade, wages rose by nearly four times that rate. In Japan and West Germany, however, productivity growth was double to the annual wage increase.

"It is clear from these figures that the American worker's standard of living will be endangered unless a balance can be achieved between productivity and increase in wages. He said the automobile industry, where imports mostly from Japan — now account for a quarter of all domestic sales, is one of the most obviously threatened industries.

"The automobile industry is one where we have to exercise some prudence," Olmer

said. Although he expressed optimism that U.S. automakers could come back, Olmer said that would not be possible if they focus on meeting just today's challenge of the Japanese. The Japanese are not standing idle," he said. "They are going to build autos in the next few years that will make today's look second rate."

The top competitive priority, he said, is high technology, where the U.S. is dominant today, but has been losing ground to the Japanese and West Germans for more than a decade.

The telecommunications and semiconductor industries are key factors there, Olmer said, because while America remains

# Bulgaria acts to halt flight of food

BELGRADE, Nov. 4 (R) — Bulgaria has banned foreigners from taking a wide range of foodstuffs and consumer goods out of the country and imposed high customs duties on other items to ease domestic shortages, the official Yugoslav news agency Tanjug reported.

In a despatch from Sofia, Tanjug said the government decreed that from Tuesday Bul-

garian customs officers would seize meat, edible oil and other foodstuffs, fabrics, clothing and household goods from foreign visitors trying to take them out.

Other food items, like dairy products, would be liable to duty amounting to 300 percent of the purchase price and items like carpets, leather goods, crystal and color televisions to 200 percent duty, Tanjug said.

# Soviet gold sales seen rising


ZURICH, Nov. 4 (R) — The Soviet Union stepped up sales of gold considerably when the price of the metal rose sharply in August and its total sales this year could be twice as high as last year, senior Zurich bullion dealers have said.

One bullion manager said he expected Soviet sales would rise from 80 to 90 tons last year to between 130 and 180 tons, a figure which would fetch almost \$2.5 billion at current prices.

The Soviet Union, the world's second largest gold producer, sold only a few tons in the first half of the year, but increased its gold sales in August and September when the market moved up from a low of around \$390 an ounce to more than \$450, dealers told

reuters in reply to questions. The Soviet Union and South Africa account for about three-quarters of the world's gold production and the economies of both have suffered from a fall in prices since the peak of \$850 an ounce reached in January last year. Dealers say the Soviet Union needs to sell gold to finance purchases of grain from the West after a series of poor harvests.

One dealer said heavy Soviet selling was probably one of the reasons for the recent fall back below \$430 an ounce. Bank Leu, a Zurich gold pool bank, said in its latest weekly review of financial markets that the Soviet Union appears to have been selling quite intensively recently, either directly or via other East European countries.



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# Leyland hums again; strike costs \$36m

LONDON, Nov. 4 (R) — Workers at state-owned British Leyland (BL) went back to making cars Wednesday after a showdown strike that had threatened to put the last big British motor company out of business.

"Back from the brink" trumpeted the *Daily Express* newspaper as 58,000 BL workers streamed back to plants around the country after a potentially disastrous three-day walk-out over a 3.8 percent pay rise offer.

The strike collapsed in the face of an ultimatum by BL boss Sir Michael Edwards that he would liquidate much of the company — losing 10 million sterling (\$18 million) a week — if the men did not go back to work.

BL, the second-biggest carmaker in Britain after the American-owned Ford Motor Company, said the strike cost it 20 million sterling (\$36 million) in lost production.

Although some strikers were bitter over the vote at mass meeting Tuesday to return to work, it was widely welcomed as a vote for self-preservation and a victory for realism.

The permanent closure of BL could have had serious economic and political repercussions for Britain.

Politicians worried that a shutdown would throw as many as 750,000 people out of jobs — in BL and related industries — at a time when unemployment was hovering close to three million.

It would have tested the political nerve of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and cost her Conservative government almost as much in welfare payments to the jobless as it would have had to pump into BL to keep it going.

The collapse of the strike is likely to bolster Mrs. Thatcher's determination to keep down pay increases in her battle to reduce double-digit inflation and make British industry more competitive.

Trade union leaders refused to concede a victory to the BL chief, insisting that it was the responsibility of workers rather than Sir Michael's ultimatum that won the day.

Nevertheless it was the third successive year Sir Michael had forced the workers, who earn an average of 100 sterling (\$172) a week, to accept pay rises well below the rate of inflation in his drive to get BL back to profitability by 1982.

# 7 S.Asian states to boost ties

KATMANDU, Nov. 4 (AP) — The foreign secretaries of seven South Asian countries concluded a three-day meeting here after issuing a joint communique calling for greater regional cooperation and agreeing to meet again "within six to eight months."

Officials from Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka said in the communique that regional cooperation in south Asia was "beneficial, desirable and

necessary," and reaffirmed the determination of their respective nations to work together.

They also paid warm tribute to the "vision and statesmanship" of the late President Ziaur Rahman of Bangladesh, who initiated the concept of south Asian regional cooperation.

The communique said the participants had endorsed the recommendations of five study groups — in the fields of agriculture, meteorology, health and population activities, telecommunications and rural development — established in their first meeting in Colombo, Sri Lanka, in April this year.

They also decided to convert the existing study groups to working groups, with each working group assigned to draw up a comprehensive program of immediate and long range action.

Three new study groups, with Maldives, Pakistan and Bhutan as coordinators, were set up in the areas of transport, technical cooperation and postal services, the communique said.

# U.K. steel unit to lay off 20,000

LONDON, Nov. 4 (AFP) — The state-owned British Steel Corporation (BSC) announced Tuesday that it planned to lay off 20,000 employees during the coming year in an attempt to become more competitive with foreign steelmakers.

British steel has already slashed its payroll by 70,000 during the past two years. The firm reported a loss of 600 million pounds (\$1,100 million) last year.

# Financial Roundup Dollar rates suffer setback

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Nov. 4 — The U.S. dollar fell on the New York markets Tuesday night and in Europe Wednesday. This is despite the fact that Eurodollar interest rates have remained stable over the past few days and have even firmed slightly in the longer tenors. Federal Reserve "Fed funds" rates have also remained relatively high, ranging between 15 — 16 percent Tuesday night in New York.

The local market saw rial deposit rates fall further in the short tenors taking overnight funds from 6 percent to around 3 percent with even few bidders at such low levels. The local exchange market also fluctuated erratically, following the dollar's European trends.

The dollar was unsteady due to the continuing conflicting assessments on how severe will be the United States depression. That the U.S. economy has entered a depression very few people doubt — the disagreements are centered on the severity and length of this depression and its effect on long-term interest rates. The money markets have become cynical in their reaction to official pronouncements on the subject, as they seem to hear different versions on the subject, sometimes coming out from the same source in Washington. Their present mood can be characterized of one of wait and see. As such the past few days have seen little volatility on the money markets as far as interest rates are concerned, unlike the gyrations on the exchanges. One-month Eurodollar interest rates now stand at 14 13/16 — 14 15/16 percent, while the one-year period was quoted at 15 9/16 — 15 11/16 percent Wednesday.

Dollar interest rates have fallen so much

though over the past six weeks, that the interest differential between dollar and other European currency rates has been whittled away fast. Sterling interest rates, for example, now stand at 15 3/8 — 15 1/4 percent for the one-year period. The dollar does still though enjoy some positive differential over such currencies as the German mark (10 7/8 — 11 percent for the one-year) and Swiss franc (9 1/2 — 9 3/8 percent for the one-year).

On the European exchanges, the French franc picked up some lost ground to trade at 5.5600 levels Wednesday compared to 5.62 levels Tuesday. The German mark's recovery was also pronounced, from 2.2295 levels to 2.2095, and even the "weak" yen picked up a few points to trade at 227.90 levels from Tuesday's 230.60. The British pound, beset by British Leyland strike worries, fluctuated between 1.8785 to 1.8700 levels Wednesday, having dropped back from New York closing of 1.8800 Tuesday.

On the local exchanges, spot dollar/riyal opened at an "optimistic" level of 3.4205-10, according to one Jeddah dealer, but later fell rapidly to 3.4180-90 levels as the dollar weakened.

Short-term rial deposit rates continued to ease, partly as a result of dollar weakness and partly due to liquidity injections into the system, the most dramatic falls were recorded in the short-dated funds such as the "overnight" borrowing and week-fixed deposits. The former fell from 6-7 percent levels to 2-3 percent at one stage, but with few takers at such low levels. Long-term rial deposits remained fairly stable though, seeing the year-fixed levels quoted at 13 3/4 — 14 1/4 percent which were even up over opening rates of 13 1/2 — 14 percent in the same tenor.

# London commodities

|                               | Closing Prices | Wednesday | Tuesday |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------|---------|
| Gold (\$ per ounce)           |                | 430.75    | 428.00  |
| Silver cash (pence per ounce) |                | 488.50    | 485.50  |
| 3 months                      |                | 507.75    | 504.00  |
| Copper cash                   |                | 903.50    | 896.50  |
| 3 months                      |                | 928.50    | 925.00  |
| Tin cash                      |                | 8191.00   | 8153.00 |
| 3 months                      |                | 8453.00   | 8401.00 |
| Lead cash                     |                | 371.75    | 369.50  |
| 3 months                      |                | 385.50    | 382.00  |
| Zinc cash                     |                | 495.25    | 499.50  |
| 3 months                      |                | 501.50    | 510.00  |
| Aluminium cash                |                | 593.50    | 610.00  |
| 3 months                      |                | 617.75    | 623.00  |
| Nickel cash                   |                | 2725.00   | 2705.00 |
| 3 months                      |                | 2798.50   | 2760.00 |
| Sugar January                 |                | 161.75    | 165.00  |
| March                         |                | 166.75    | 170.25  |
| Coffee November               |                | 1138.00   | 1130.00 |
| March                         |                | 1153.00   | 1151.00 |
| Cocoa December                |                | 1175.00   | 1185.00 |
| March                         |                | 1171.00   | 1185.00 |

Note: Prices in pounds per metric ton. The above prices are provided by Saudi Research & Investment Ltd., P.O. Box 6474, Tel: 6653908, Jeddah.

# Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Wednesday

|                        | SAMA  | Cash  | Transfer |
|------------------------|-------|-------|----------|
| Bahraini Dinar         | 9.08  | —     | 14.35    |
| Bangladesh Taka        | —     | —     | 91.25    |
| Belgian Franc (1,000)  | —     | —     | 285.50   |
| Canadian Dollar        | —     | —     | 154.70   |
| Deutsche Mark (100)    | —     | —     | 140.25   |
| Dutch Guilder (100)    | —     | —     | 3.75     |
| Egyptian Pound         | —     | —     | 93.00    |
| Emirate Dirham (100)   | —     | —     | 61.60    |
| French Franc (100)     | —     | —     | 55.00    |
| Greek Drachma (1,000)  | —     | —     | 37.25    |
| Indian Rupee (100)     | —     | —     | —        |
| Iranian Ryal (100)     | —     | —     | —        |
| Israeli Dinar          | —     | —     | —        |
| Italian Lira (10,000)  | 29.20 | 29.10 | —        |
| Japanese Yen (1,000)   | 8     | 15.00 | —        |
| Jordanian Dinar        | —     | —     | 10.15    |
| Kuwaiti Dinar          | —     | —     | 12.16    |
| Lebanese Lira (100)    | —     | —     | 74.15    |
| Moroccan Dirham (100)  | —     | —     | 61.45    |
| Pakistani Rupee (100)  | —     | —     | 43.30    |
| Philippine Peso (100)  | —     | —     | 6.44     |
| Pound Sterling         | —     | —     | 94.00    |
| Qatari Ryal (100)      | —     | —     | 164.00   |
| Singapore Dollar (100) | —     | —     | 36.15    |
| Spanish Peseta (1,000) | —     | —     | 191.50   |
| Swiss Franc (100)      | —     | —     | 58.60    |
| Syrian Lira (100)      | —     | —     | —        |
| Turkish Lira (1,000)   | —     | —     | 3.43     |
| U.S. Dollar            | —     | —     | 75.00    |
| Yemeni Ryal (100)      | —     | —     | 74.90    |

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# Pakistan's exports rise 25%

ISLAMABAD, Nov. 4 (AP) — Pakistan's exports rose 25 percent in the 1981 fiscal year which ended June 30, totaling \$2.957 billion, the government announced Tuesday.

An all-time high, this was an increase from \$2.364 billion the year before. But there was still an overall trade deficit of \$2.45 billion.

China was Pakistan's biggest customer, purchasing \$35.7 million worth of goods, followed by Iran \$231.7 million, and Japan \$189.6 million, it said.

Imports climbed 14 percent to \$5.4 billion, according to a report by the cabinet's economic coordination committee. They were reported at \$4.74 billion the year before.

Petroleum products amounted to nearly a third of the import bill — \$1.54 billion, the biggest single item from

abroad. Other top imports included machinery costing \$1.005 billion, fertilizer — \$357 million, edible oil — \$263 million, and tea — \$120 million.

Major exports included rice — \$565 million worth, raw cotton — \$526 million, cotton yarn — \$207 million, cotton textiles — \$241 million and carpets — \$225.8 million.

# Lagos warns on trade

LAGOS, Nov. 4 (AFP) — Oil-rich Nigeria will no longer tolerate having an unfavorable trade balance with any country, Trade Minister Alhaji Bello Maitama Yusuf warned here Tuesday.

Speaking at a joint press conference with visiting British trade minister, he called on foreign businessmen to invest in the country's agricultural sector.

# announcement

SHEMIMERY EST. FOR TRADE AND CONTRACTS announces that Donald Clark — American nationality and bearer of Passport No. 1006571 alongwith Raymond Brady — American nationality and bearer of Passport No. 1016055 came to the Kingdom on a visit visa under the sponsorship of the above establishment and were last seen on 7-12-1401. They are in possession of company documents.

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In World Cup Soccer

Anbari goal helps Kuwait down Kingdom

By Peter Rodrigues

RIYADH, Nov. 4 — Saudi Arabia began on the wrong foot in its bid to book a berth to Spain when it went down to Kuwait 0-1 here Wednesday.

The all-important goal was scored by Kuwait's livewire forward Abdul Aziz Al-Anbari, who neatly hoodwinked a host of defenders before finding the far corner of the net with a stinging top-of-the-box left footer in the 58th minute.

With this win, Kuwait move to the top of the World Cup Soccer qualifying Asia-Oceania Group Aggregating four points from three outings, followed by China and New Zealand, who have three points each from as

many matches. But China with a superior goal difference displace the Kiwis for the second berth. The Kingdom, which has played its only game of the competition Wednesday occupy the cellar.

Much was expected from the Kingdom lads after they came through with a clean slate from their preliminary qualifying matches. But the huge home fans had to disperse heavily disheartened from the fare dished out by their favorites.

With spearhead Majed Abdullah well policed by the Kuwaiti defenders, Abdullah Maayouf and Mahboub Joumaa, their attack was completely paralyzed, despite the impressive prompting by Muhammad Abdul-Jawwad, who often penetrated the well-

drilled Kuwait defense and sent down some precise passes, which but went abegging.

The home lads began on an impressive note and for the first quarter of the hour raised visions of giving their fans something to shout about. But once the Kuwaitis, who came over after a 12-day camp in Bahrain where they got the feel of the artificial turf, got into their strides they held the whiphand.

After a blank first session, when play was mostly confined to midfield, the visitors forged ahead through al-Anbari, who intercepting the ball at midfield, streaked ahead with a couple of defenders close on his heels. The well built attacks neatly paved his past his rivals before beating goalkeeper Salem Marwar with a stinging shot to the left corner.

Having fetched the goal that ultimately proved the match-winner, the Kuwaitis fell on the defensive, giving the Kingdom lads the edge from which they almost restored parity. But Majed's fine header shook the crossbar and Fahd Al-Musaibeeh, who was well positioned for the rebound made a hash of it by ballooning the same.

Strung by this narrow shave, the Kuwaitis were more inclined to keep the ball to themselves and played at a half pace bringing the lively contest to a drab end.

| Standings    | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts. |
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| Kuwait       | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4    |
| China        | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3    |
| New Zealand  | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3    |
| Saudi Arabia | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0    |



Greg Chappell



Jeff Thomson

Thomson included in squad

Greg to lead Aussies

MELBOURNE, Nov. 4 (AFP) — The Australian Cricket Board (ACB) Wednesday announced Greg Chappell ahead of Kim Hughes as captain of the Australian team for the first Test against Pakistan starting in Perth on Friday.

The 32-year-old Chappell regained the position he forfeited to Hughes, 27, when he declared himself unavailable for the ashes tour of England earlier this year. Hughes' team lost the six-Test series to Mike Brearley's team 3-1.

Another interesting selection is that of fast bowler Jeff Thomson, who has not played Test cricket for Australia since the Perth Test against England in December 1979. Thomson was another to miss the tour of England and an apology was sought from him by the Australian Cricket Board for statements he made concerning members of the team chosen ahead of him.

Thomson, a 31-year-old veteran of 34 Tests, is one of our fast bowlers named in the side, along with Dennis Lillee, Terry Alderman and Geoff Lawson. The one spinner in the team is Western Australia's experienced all-rounder Bruce Yardley, 34, who is expected to be named 12th man unless the traditionally fast pitch is extremely dry and would take spin.

Yardley has been preferred to Victoria's left-arm orthodox spinner, Ray Bright, who had a reasonably successful tour of England. Yardley was the leading wicket-taker in the Sheffield Shield competition last summer and was another surprise omission from the touring team.

But it is the appointment of Chappell which attracts most interest in this Australian

team. Chappell has still to confirm to the ACB that he will be available for the three-Test tour of New Zealand beginning in February, and he has already stated his intention to miss the tour of Pakistan next September.

The 14 ACB delegates who met to discuss future series should look after themselves and they ignored the policy that there should be continuity of captaincy, a strong factor in Hughes' favor.

Chappell hit his 66th first class century when he made 161 against Pakistan in Brisbane last Saturday, while Thomson was almost as impressive in taking three for 76 from 22 overs against the touring side.

The selectors have dropped Dirk Wellham, the 22-year-old New South Wales batsman, who hit a century in his first Test match against England at the Oval last August as well as batsman Graham Yallop, fast bowler Michael Whitney and spinner Ray Bright.

The Pakistanis will play Victoria in a four-day match starting at the Melbourne Cricket ground on Friday, although there has been widespread criticism of the Melbourne pitch during and after the Sheffield shield match which ended there on Sunday.

THE TEAM: Greg Chappell (captain), Kim Hughes (vice-captain), Terry Alderman, Allan Border, Martin Kent (subject to fitness), Bruce Laird, Geoff Lawson, Dennis Lillee, Rod Marsh, Jeff Thomson, Graeme Wood, Bruce Yardley. The twelfth man will be announced on the morning of the match.

John Edwards and Derek Adler have been reappointed by the Board as team manager and physiotherapist respectively for the third successive year.

In World Bowling

Worrall, Pauline Smith top

NEW YORK, Nov. 4 (AP) — American Bob Worrall beat Manny Magno of the Philippines, 221-179, for the men's title, while Pauline Smith of England struck out in the 10th frame to defeat Japan's Muiyuki Motoi 203-195 for the women's crown Tuesday at the 17th World Cup Bowling Championships.

Worrall, 24, was top-seeded in the step-ladder format after winning the semifinals at Madison Square Garden.

Worrall became the first man to win the World Cup in his own country. He is the first American to win a World Cup since Lucy Giovinco of Tampa, Florida, captured the women's crown in Iran in 1976. Roger Dal-

kin, then of Georgia Tech, won the men's title in 1971. He was the last American male winner.

Worrall's victory gave the U.S. five victories in the World Cup. Canada has five, the Philippines four.

In matches that led up to the championship, Glenroy Saunders of the Bahamas beat Eddie Garofalo of Puerto Rico, 195-174 and then Magno beat Saunders, 210-194.

Smith, 25, beat Bong Coog of the Philippines 213-156 and Anna Greta Johansson of Sweden, 202-145, en route to the championship match. Smith was the second Briton to capture a World Cup title. Beynle Caterer of London won the 1973 title in Singapore.

Qamar Zaman off to nervous start

NEWCASTLE, England, Nov. 4 (AP) — Pakistan's Qamar Zaman, the second seed, got off to a nervous start Tuesday dropping a game against Sweden's Lars Kvant before reaching the second round of the World Master Squash Championships.

Zaman reached the last eight by beating the former Malmoe soccer player, shock semifinalist last year 9-2, 4-9, 9-5, 9-3. Zaman will now meet the British No. 2, Gawain Briars, the seventh seed, who began confidently against Egypt's Ali Aziz, winning 9-5, 9-7, 9-1 in 48 minutes.

Egypt's top star and the fourth seed Gamal Awad, shook off a disastrous start to beat Roland Watson of South Africa 0-9, 9-5, 9-1, 9-3.

Results: Gawain Briars (Britain) beat Ali Aziz (Egypt) 9-5, 9-7, 9-1; Qamar Zaman (Pakistan) beat Lars Kvant (Sweden) 9-2,

4-9, 9-5, 9-3; Glen Brumby (Australia) beat Mohammed Asran (Egypt) 9-1, 9-3, 9-7; Gamal Awad (Egypt) beat Roland Watson (South Africa) 0-9, 9-5, 9-1, 9-3.

Wales hit by injuries

LONDON, Nov. 4 (AFP) — Worried Wales manager Mike England is faced with an injury crisis as he finalises his squad for the crucial World Cup qualifier against the Soviet Union on November 18.

Six key players are currently sidelined through injury, with Swansea's Jeremy Charles entering hospital this week for an exploratory operation on a troublesome knee.

Utility man Charles and Crystal Palace striker Ian Walsh (chipped ankle bone) both miss the trip to Tbilisi — and Mike England will have to gamble on other players being fit.

Figueroa stars in Honduras' big win

TEUCIGALPA, Honduras, Nov. 4 (AP) — Roberto Figueroa set up two goals and scored a third to lead host nation Honduras over Haiti 4-0 Tuesday night in the six-nation qualifying tournament for the 1982 World Cup Soccer in Spain.

Playing before a packed house of 54,000 spectators in the National Stadium, the Hondurans took charge of the game from the start and built a 2-0 half time lead while forcing the Haitians to shoot repeatedly and harmlessly from outside the box, and then added two more goals in a relaxed second half.

Figueroa sent David Bueso through for the first goal in the 35th minute and midfielder Jorge Uriquia headed home the next in the 40th minute.

In the second half, midfielder Tony Laing beat the New Haitian goalkeeper Wigner Piquart for their third goal in the 64th minute while Figueroa added the fourth, four minutes from full time.

With this victory Honduras joined Mexico and Canada as the pacemakers in the Central and North America and Caribbean qualifying tournament, Mexico earlier defeated Cuba, also and Canada beat El Salvador 1-0.

Canada meet Haiti and Mexico play El

Salvador on Friday and Honduras play Cuba on Sunday as the six countries battle for two places in next year's finals in Spain.

Meanwhile, Scotland's fate in the draw for the World Cup finals in Spain next summer may not be left entirely to chance.

Ernie Walker, secretary of the Scottish Football Association, claimed that the Scots may know in advance of the January 16 draw in Madrid exactly where they will be playing.

Walker, just back from Spain with international team manager Jock Stein, said he discovered that the Spanish organizing committee are keen to by-pass the customary raffle for teams bracketed as "second line" seeds.

The SFA secretary believes that in the interests of "logic and economy" FIFA may endorse the Spanish organizers plan.

It is already known that six teams will be given the tag of "top seed" — holders Argentina, host Spain, and former winners West Germany, Italy, Brazil and — if they qualify — England.

Those countries will know in advance the location of their initial group games — but then the question arises of arranging venues for the second line teams.

Walker said, "there is a very strong lobby

Blazers keep unbeaten run

NEW YORK, Nov. 4 (AP) — Kelvin Ransley's eight-foot jumper with 25 seconds left in the game Tuesday night lifted the unbeaten Portland Trail Blazers to a 102-100 National Basketball Association victory over the Los Angeles Lakers.

In Landover, Julius Erving and Bobby Jones combined for 25 first half points as the Philadelphia 76ers opened up a 20-point lead and raced to a 112-99 victory over the Washington Bullets.

In Dallas, forward Mike Mitchell scored 33 points and Bob Wilkerson added 28 to carry the Cleveland Cavaliers to a 125-110 victory over the Dallas Mavericks.

In Arizona, guards Dennis Johnson and Kyle Macy teamed up for 32 points as the Phoenix Suns beat the San Antonio Spurs 111-88.

In Houston, the Houston Astros beat the New York Knicks 101-98 while Chicago beat Atlanta 104-96.

Meanwhile, Royal Anderson of Belgium beat Orthez of France 93-86 (half-time 51-43) in their Korac Cup second round first-leg match Tuesday night, in Brussels.



DEMONSTRATES: Sixers Earl Cureton demonstrates the flexibility of the NBA basket attachment to the glass backboard to be used this year to avoid delay of games caused by powerful dunk artists. A shock absorber spring arrangement allowed the basket to bend down instead of breaking off.

Nastase squeezes past Solomon

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 4 (AP) — Roscoe Tanner, relying on his usual power game, advanced to the second round of the Stockholm Open Tennis Championships Tuesday with an easy 6-3, 6-3 victory over Klaus Eberhard.

But veteran Ilic Nastase, 35, was the most popular wunny of the evening. The volatile Romanian knocked out the first seeded player in the tournament, seventh-ranked Harold Solomon of the U.S., 6-4, 6-3.

"It's nice to have the crowd cheering for you for a change," said Nastase whose only big moment here was his Grand Prix Masters victory 1975.

Three other Americans won through to the second round Tuesday for a total of 11 in two days with five more first round matches scheduled for Wednesday. Thirtyone Americans entered the singles competition in this tourney, the game's only official indoor championship recognized by the International Tennis Federation.

Two-time Stockholm Open winner John McEnroe, the world's top ranked player, did not enter this year. Bjorn Borg, who whipped McEnroe on a much slower surface here last year, also decided to skip his home-town tourney.

Third-seed Gene Mayer took Peter Flem-

ing, also of the U.S., 6-4, 6-1, in another opening round match Tuesday. His brother Sandy, the 1977 champion here and seeded No. 11, also had an easy first round victory, a 6-3, 6-1 decision over fellow-American Trey Waltke.

Brian Gottfried, seeded fifth, breezed past David Siegler 6-1, 6-2 in another all-American match.

Other seeded players to gain the second round included Yannick Noah of France, Johan Kriek of South Africa and Tomas Smid of Czechoslovakia.

Noah, the fourth-seed, outlasted Henrik Sundstrom of Sweden 2-6, 6-2, 6-3 and No. 6 Kriek edged Pascal Portes of France 6-4, 7-5.

Portes, a finalist in Paris last Sunday, came from 1-4 to level 5 — all in the second set after saving three match points in the tenth game. But Portes was in deep trouble again in his next service game. Kriek finally prevailed on his fourth match point as the Frenchman missed an easy volley. Smid, seeded No. 9, eliminated Ferdi Taygan of the U.S., 6-4, 6-4.

Connors, who has not played a tournament in five weeks because of an injury, faces fellow-American Jeff Borowiak in his first round match Wednesday.

Holmes set to fight Snipes

PITTSBURGH, Pennsylvania, Nov. 4 (R) — World Boxing Council heavyweight champion Larry Holmes celebrated his 32nd birthday Tuesday with a spirited workout in preparation for his title defense against Renaldo Snipes on Friday.

Holmes, who was given a \$50,000 sable coat as a birthday gift by fight promoter Don King, looked sharp in a three-round sparring session against Marvin Stinson of Philadelphia.

The WBC champion hit Stinson repeatedly with swift left jabs and also scored often with rapid-fire combinations to the head and body.

Challenger Snipes was unimpressive in an earlier session against his sparring partner Tyrone Dibbs. The unbeaten Snipes, 25, who has won all his 22 professional fights, had trouble landing any effective blows against Dibbs, who connected often with fast left jabs-Holmes' most effective punch.

The challenger, ranked seventh by the WBC but given little chance against the undefeated Holmes, found it difficult to penetrate Dibbs' defense. He looked amateurish at

times as he lunged at Dibbs with off-balance punches.

However, Snipes said later he was fully satisfied with his sparring sessions and predicted he would knock out Holmes, an eventuality which if it occurred would be one of the biggest upsets in boxing history.

"The way we both fight, there's no way it's going to go the distance," said Snipes, who gained a title shot on the strength of controversial decisions over Eddie Mustafa Muhammad, the former World Boxing Association light-heavyweight champion, and Gerrie Coetzee of South Africa.

Though most ring experts regard the fight as no more than a tune-up for Holmes before he meets unbeaten Gerry Cooney in March, the WBC champion said he thought Snipes could be a difficult opponent because of his awkward style.

"I just hope that Snipes fights," Holmes told a group of reporters in his hotel suite while seated in front of a birthday cake inscribed "happy birthday, champ." He's awkward and can make a fight stink."

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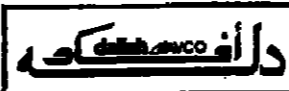
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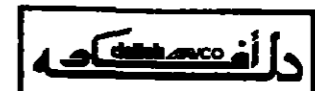
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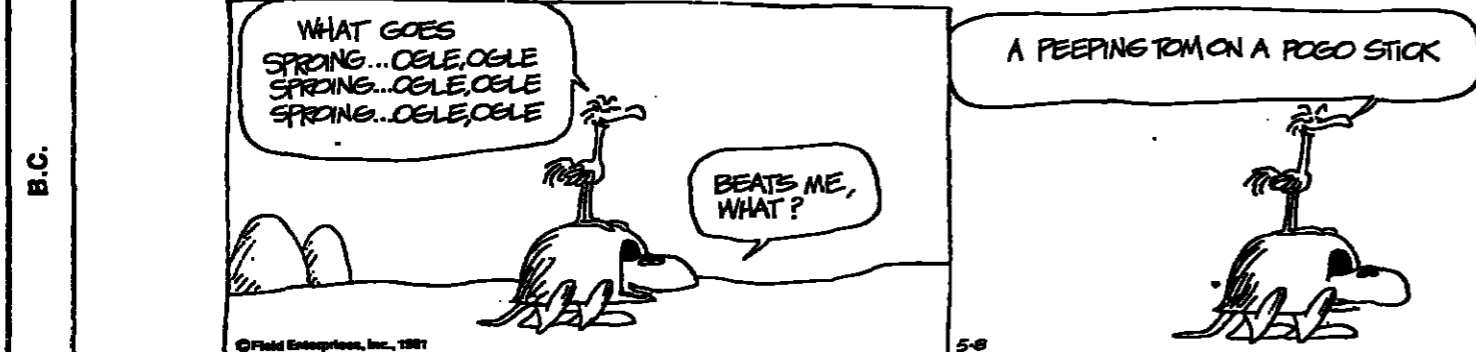
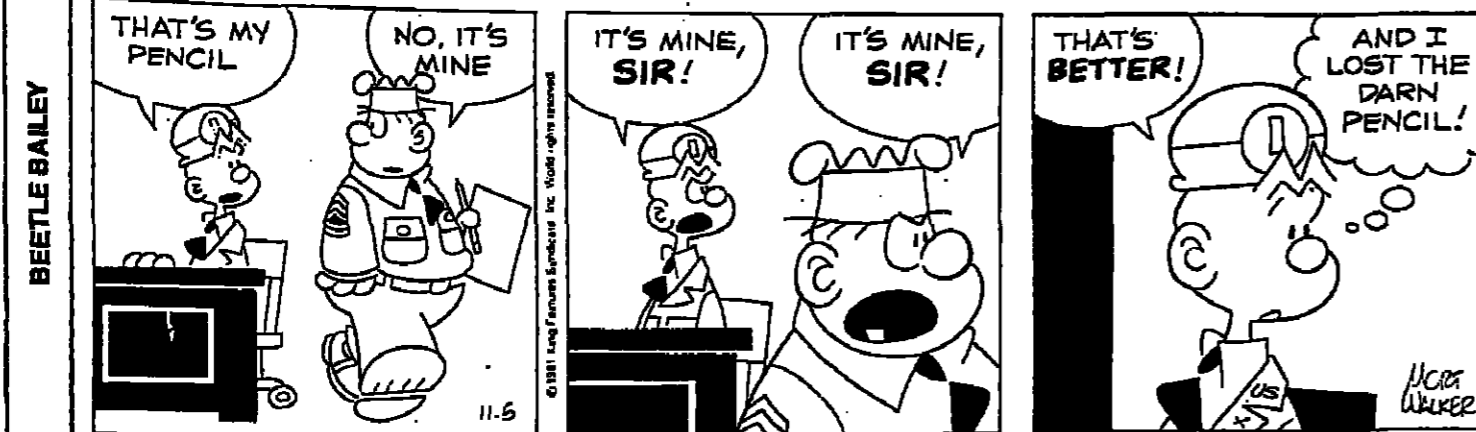


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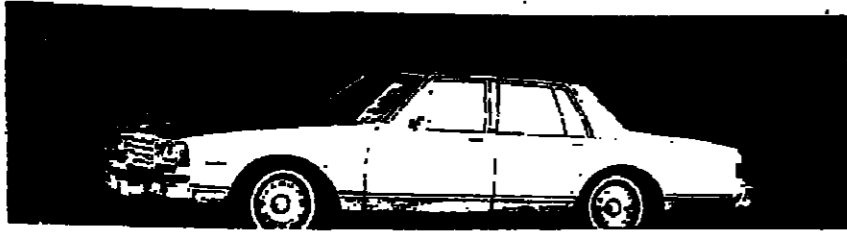
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## 13 hurt in riots, blasts

# W. Germans protest Frankfurt runway

FRANKFURT, West Germany, Nov. 4 (Agencies) — At least 13 persons were injured in riots, bomb blasts and nightlong battles between police and ecologist squatters who had erected a tent village to block construction of a runway at Frankfurt's International Airport.

Police said a bomb exploded early Wednesday morning during rush hour traffic in a subway connecting West Germany's busiest railway station with Kaiserstrasse, one of the financial center's downtown malls.

The blast, set off when only a few people passed through the so-called B-level, destroyed and damaged several telephone

booths. Most other people injured and treated in several hospitals were victims of street battles with riot police Tuesday, during a night of unrest which lasted into the early hours of Wednesday.

The protests followed the surprise eviction Monday of several hundred squatters occupying a tent village they built on the outskirts of the city where authorities plan to build a new runway.

Dismayed by their surprise eviction from the village, runway opponents and their followers streamed into Frankfurt from all parts of West Germany to continue their protests. Police said several smaller groups broke away from the main rally, estimated at 3,500 persons, and roved through the city smashing windows and causing other damage estimated at thousands of marks.

Violent incidents also erupted in other West German cities overnight between police and ecologists opposing the new runway at Frankfurt. Thousands of demonstrators protested late Tuesday night in Munich, Bremen, Stuttgart, Tübingen, Göttingen and Hamburg against police for demolition of the ecologist village.

A hundred ecologists were still occupying the runway site Wednesday where police are standing by while forest clearance work for the runway gets under way. But only 300 meters away from where the ecologist village stood, three new huts have already been rebuilt.

The press has carried reports of massive public protest against alleged police brutality in evicting the squatters, but the regional Interior Minister praised the police force for its "discipline and firm action."

The West German journalist union DJV protested Monday's police action against photographers who covered the police eviction in Bonn, DJV Chairman Christian Schneider cautioned police against possible attempts at suspending the controlling functions of a democratic press.



LAVA DOME: Steam continues to rise from the ever growing lava dome inside the crater of the volcano Mount St. Helens. The volcano underwent another non-explosive eruption that started Oct. 30 and declined to a "low level" Nov. 2, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. The non-explosive eruption is the sixth of the dome-building type during 1981.

## Disagree with government

# 15 men quit Sotelo party

MADRID, Nov. 4 (AP) — Premier Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo faces a crisis in his ruling Centrist Party Wednesday, after 15 leading party members quit in disagreement with his government.

A government spokesman, who asked not to be identified, said the premier will not resign or call new elections. But he said Calvo Sotelo might take over the party presidency in order to rebuild it. Party President Agustin Foriguiez Sahagun said that report was a surprise to him.

The crises in the Union of the Democratic Center (UCD) evoked concern among opposition parties because it coincided with evidence of renewed anti-government sentiment in the armed forces, nine months after

an attempted right-wing military coup.

"This is not the time to criticize the government" socialist leader Felipe Gonzalez said and urged the government "not to take negative decisions for the democratic process."

Calvo Sotelo, whose investiture was interrupted when 288 civil guards stormed parliament and held the government and the lower house hostage for 18 hours last Feb. 23, scheduled meetings Wednesday with cabinet members in a bid to sew up party differences.

There were unconfirmed reports he might try for an alliance with the Conservative Party.

The premier conferred with King Juan Carlos after the split but made no statement.

# Mugabe alleges toppling plot

MUBAIRA, Zimbabwe, Nov. 4 (AP) — Zimbabwe's Prime Minister Robert Mugabe charged Wednesday that two of his predecessors, Ian Smith and Bishop Abel Muzorewa, "are plotting to overthrow the government."

The semi-official Zimbabwe Inter-African News Agency reported.

Mugabe also disclosed that an unspecified number of anti-government plotters were being arrested and dossiers on their activities would be published, ZIANA reported.

Mugabe, addressing a rally of political supporters in this central Zimbabwean village, did not elaborate on the charges. Mugabe in the past has leveled general charges of subversion against Smith and Muzorewa, both of whom have denied any anti-government activities.

Mugabe, who led white-governed

Rhodesia to independence as black-ruled Zimbabwe last year, told the rally: "You are going to hear of cases of people who have been plotting to overthrow the government. The names of people who are plotting to overthrow the government are going to be released very soon."

When Mugabe won British-supervised elections in February last year after a cease-fire was signed between guerrilla chieftains and Muzorewa he called for reconciliation between the races and rival parties.

But in the last few months Mugabe has stepped up attacks on Muzorewa and Smith, threatening to detain them for alleged subversion. Specifically, Mugabe has claimed that 5,000 former soldiers loyal to Muzorewa are being trained as saboteurs in neighboring South Africa.

# Denmark expels Soviet diplomat

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 4 (R) — Denmark has expelled a Soviet diplomat for subversive activities, Foreign Ministry sources here said Wednesday.

Vladimir Merkoulou, second secretary at the Soviet Embassy in Copenhagen, was declared persona non grata three weeks ago by the Danish Foreign Ministry. Merkoulou, who was posted to Denmark in 1977, has now left the country, the sources said.

The newspaper *Berlingske Idende* reported that Danish intelligence sources believe the diplomat conducted operations in Denmark for the Soviet KGB intelligence service.

The paper said Merkoulou financed a left-wing advertisement campaign here and took active part in public meetings which opposed the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and promoted the idea of a nuclear weapons-free Nordic area.

A Soviet Embassy spokesman confirmed that Merkoulou actively participated in left-wing public meetings, but added: "his

activities involved nothing which violated Danish law."

In another incident in Paris, a Soviet diplomat, who had been working as translator at the Paris headquarters of UNESCO, has asked for political asylum in France, French officials said Wednesday.

Informed sources said the diplomat, 42-year-old Nikolai Plyansky, came to UNESCO — the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization — in July after over 10 years in the Soviet foreign service. According to the sources, Plyansky had served in Soviet missions in Switzerland and Yugoslavia as well as in the press department of the Foreign Ministry in Moscow from 1978-79.

They said his wife and three children had joined him in Paris on Oct. 15, the day before he made a formal application for asylum. The French officials said his request was likely to be granted but no decision had yet been taken.

# Union chief dashes to meet with Jaruzelski

WARSAW, Nov. 4 (R) — Solidarity union chief Lech Walesa rushed here Wednesday to hold talks with church and Communist Party leaders in an attempt to resolve the political deadlock that has bedeviled Poland for 16 months.

Walesa journeyed from Gdanek where he left behind an angry meeting of the independent union's national commission which resolved to stay in session until he returned. The commission was told that Walesa would meet Communist Party leader Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski and the Roman Catholic primate, Archbishop Jozef Glemp, to forge what could become a unique coalition between the country's three major forces.

That three men have met each other individually before. But a round-table meeting would be a landmark in the political tumult in Poland that began in August 1980 when the Communist Party allowed the creation of the Soviet bloc's only free trade union. Since then Poland has lurched from crisis to crisis with the party and Solidarity locked in an increasingly bitter political struggle while the economy disintegrated.

Walesa left his 107-member national commission in a state of ferment over future policies, particularly strikes. The union leader had sought a vote from the commission ordering all strikers back to work as a response to a similar call by the Sejm (parliament).

But the commission instead approved a resolution calling on the government to open immediate talks with the union on all outstanding local disputes. It also called on Solidarity's national executive to draw up a report on the precise statutory rights of strikers within one week and assured the end of a 23-day-old strike in Zyrardow by 12,000 textile workers — most of them women.

Work began again at the Zyrardow mills Wednesday leaving only two big pockets of industrial unrest in Poland — the western region of Zielona Gora and the coal mining area of Sosnowiec.

Radicals at the commission accused Walesa of a sell-out. "You want to meet Jaruzelski with a gift of a pacified strike situation," said Jan Rulawski from Bydgoszcz. "I simply want to ask whether he is prime minister of all of us and whether he will force his ministers to talk to us," Walesa reported.

Jaruzelski himself prepared the groundwork for a possible tripartite church-Communist-Solidarity summit when he took over as party leader last month and said he sought broader bases of government in Poland.

## Brezhnev tells allies to strengthen detente

MOSCOW, Nov. 4 (R) — Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev Wednesday urged Moscow's Communist allies to take concerted action to breathe fresh life into flagging East-West detente. Brezhnev made the call at a Kremlin meeting with central committee secretaries from 10 allied countries who held a two-day conference in Moscow on international and ideological problems.

The Kremlin leader was quoted by Tass news agency as saying that detente had emerged in many ways thanks to an active, joint policy pursued by the Soviet bloc. Brezhnev went on: "By acting jointly and concertedly, it is possible to give this process (detente) a second wind, fresh strength and dynamism."

He recommended Moscow's allies to develop business contacts with other states and "promote a dialogue with realistically minded statesmen, with different political trends that are ready to act in the name of a better future."

## Good Morning

By Jibad Al Khasan

As the weary British general in Shaw's play tells his aide after a shattering defeat, history will tell lies — meaning that posterity will formulate and reformulate the event until the acceptable, sugared version is found and with it the whole affair is laid to rest.

History in the service of national myths, history in which abject defeats are turned into great victories, and fools and incompetents transmuted into heroes. That at any rate is the norm — but there are sometimes exceptions. Brave historians who, to the consternation of all, suddenly rip the mask and "tell it like it was". They are called traitors.

One of the myths which Europe has sustained itself with these past few decades is that of resistance to the Nazi occupation of most of Europe in World War II, a myth which has gone unchallenged for such a long time that it has gained the status of truth, especially in the case of France. But now things have changed: a documentary film which was banned by the previous French regime for daring to "tell it like it was" has gone on public release in Paris. The outcry is great as the myth of a heroic people fighting the occupying enemy is exploded, and the stark and far from flattering reality put in its place.

The film, *Le Chagrin et la Pitié*, has already been seen outside France, and now it is up to the French to face up to its bitter message. For me, the consideration it raises is the wider one of the collective myths which the European-centered writing of history have woven around the history of other peoples — myths which the Europeans and Westerners generally take by now to be unarguable truths.

But that, as they say, is another story...

Translated from Ashraf Al-Awast

# Council votes for U.N. chief

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 4 (R) — The Security Council was making a further bid Wednesday night to nominate a candidate to take office as U.N. Secretary-General on Jan. 1. Six votes last week failed to resolve a deadlock between the two official candidates, incumbent Kurt Waldheim and Tanzania's Salim Ahmad Salim.

Council members said no new names had been added to the list, but a growing band of possible candidates from the Third World were waiting in the wings. They have been inhibited from formally entering the contest while Salim, Tanzania's foreign minister, remained in the race.

Wednesday's vote will be the first since the African group of states, which originally sponsored Salim, appealed for the veto against him to be dropped. The eventual winner of the 15-member council's nomination will have to be endorsed by the 156-nation General Assembly.

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